



*St. Francis of Assisi Parish  
Humphrey, Nebraska*

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Dear Parishioners,

I must say that my passion for sports has dissipated dramatically over the past several years. This is partially because Nebraska football has been so disappointing recently, but there are other factors as well. The increasing politicization of sports is difficult to stomach.

Take, for instance, the phenomenon of kneeling during the national anthem. As troubling as such behavior is to me, it is completely understandable. I suspect the players that do this had far different upbringings than I did. I was raised in a family where, after Christmas, the biggest holiday of the year was the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. I was raised to appreciate the flag was a symbol of the sacrifices made to protect my freedom. As such, it demanded proportionate respect. I wonder if those that protest during the anthem had similar experiences.

I was taught that the United States of America was the greatest country in the world, that Christopher Columbus was a hero, the pioneers were to be admired for their courage and perseverance, that hundreds of thousands of Americans (predominantly white) fought and died in the civil war to free slaves, that the United States saved the world from both Nazi Germany and Soviet Communism. I wonder if those protesting the anthem were taught the same.

Yet even cursed with my “White Privilege”, whatever that means, I have suffered systematic injustice. That injustice is abortion. Think about it. Even if police actually are systematically executing African Americans based solely on ethnicity, it would still pale in comparison to the systematic pressure our society puts on mothers to abort their children...to the tune of 3.000/day in our country alone.

Yet have I ever done something as stigmatizing as protesting during the National Anthem to raise awareness of this systematic injustice? Perhaps these young athletes are way more courageous for their cause than I am for mine.

Nevertheless, the actions of these athletes are completely and totally misguided. In fact, just as I would say it was completely and totally misguided for Catholics to protest during the National Anthem to raise awareness of the injustice of abortion, so, too, it is completely and totally misguided for athletes to do so to raise awareness of institutionalized racism. Why?

The answer comes from the virtue of piety, which is also a gift of the Holy Spirit. Piety allows us, principally, to show reverence to God as the ultimate authority. Secondly, however, piety extends to other authorities, even very flawed ones. It is the virtue of piety that is empowering Jesus to submit to the flawed authority of Pontius Pilate. This virtue is the root of the virtue of patriotism, which recognizes that our country is a kind of mother.

To be patriotic, however, means to expose injustice. True patriotic Germans were the ones opposing the nationalist Nazis, not tolerating them. We, as Catholics, have the obligation to expose the injustice of abortion. I'm sure those that protest the anthem think they have the obligation to expose injustice as well.

However, there is a time and place for everything. The National Anthem is neither the time nor the place for protest. Rather, it is the time and the place to focus on the good that unites us, rather than the evil that divides us. In fact, it is most fitting to begin secular events, and even religious ones, with the National Anthem. Even though our country is very flawed (e.g. abortion), she is still a “mother” that needs to be appreciated, even if she is also a mother that needs to be corrected.

In Christ,

Rev. Eric Olsen

# September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 *8 AM-GS Mass	2 *8 AM-GS Mass	3 *8 AM-GS Mass *8 AM-8 PM- Mercantile Sale In Parish Hall *8:30 AM-7 PM- Adoration *5:30 PM-CC @ Wisner/Pilger *6:30 PM-VB w/ Spalding Academy	4 *6:30 AM-Mass For the Souls of the Faithfully Departed *8 AM-GS Mass *Scholastic Book Fair *8 AM-8 PM- Mercantile Sale In PH *3 PM-JHCC @ Madison *5 PM-Benediction *7 PM-FB w/ Emerson/Hubbard	5 *8 AM-12 PM- Mercantile Sale In Parish Hall
6 *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" In Church	7 *Labor Day *NO SCHOOL *8 AM-Mass	8 *8 AM-GS Mass *Scholastic Book Fair *5 PM-VB w/ St. Ed/Burwell	9 *8 AM-GS Mass *7:30 AM-11:30 AM- School Pictures *7 PM-Athletic Board Meeting	10 *8 AM-GS Mass *8:30 AM-7 PM- Adoration *Scholastic Book Fair *1 PM-Dismissal *NO PM BUS SERVICE *2 PM-8 PM-Parent/ Teacher Conferences *7 PM-Knights of Columbus Meeting	11 *8 AM-GS Mass *Scholastic Book Fair *3 PM-CC @ Norfolk Catholic *3 PM-JHCC @ Norfolk Catholic *7 PM-FB @ Palmer	12 *9 AM-JHVB @ Clarkson Tournament *9 AM-VB @ Fremont Bergan Tournament
13 *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" In Church	14 *8 AM-HS Mass *3 PM-JHVB w/ Riverside *4 PM-JHFB w/ Riverside	15 *8 AM-GS Mass *3:30 PM-JHVB w/ Fullerton *5:30 PM-VB w/ Fullerton	16 *NHS Super Casual Day *8 AM-GS Mass	17 *8 AM-GS Mass *8:30 AM-7 PM- Adoration *4 PM-CC @ Pender Invite *5:30 PM-VB @ Riverside	18 *8 AM-GS Mass *2 PM-Tanner Krings & Brooke Olmer Wedding *4 PM-FB @ Wausa	19
20 *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" In Church	21 *8 AM-HS Mass *NHS Lunch Helpers	22 *7 AM-1 PM-NHS Blood Drive *8 AM-GS Mass *NHS Lunch Helpers	23 *8 AM-GS Mass *1 PM-Dismissal *NO PM BUS SERVICE	24 *8 AM-GS Mass *8:30 AM-7 PM- Adoration *11 AM- Archbishop's Dinner for Education *5:30 PM-VB w/ Bloomfield	25 *8 AM-GS Mass *9 AM-2 PM-Plum Creek Festival for Grades 1-6 *4:30 PM-CC @ Boone Central Invite *5:50 PM-JHCC @ Boone Central *7 PM-FB w/ Riverside	26 *10 AM-VB @ Wisner/Pilger Tournament
27 *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" In Church	28 *GS Adopt-A-Child Day *8 AM-HS Mass *1 PM-CC @ UNK Invite *NO BUS SERVICE *3:30 PM-JHVB @ Howells/Dodge *4:30 PM-JHFB @ CWC	29 *8 AM-GS Mass *4 PM-JHCC @ Pierce	30 *HS Adopt-A-Child Day *8 AM-GS Mass			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>September 2020</h1>						
		1 8am +Bill Werner	2 8am +John Krings	3 8am +Francis Sand	4 6:30am Souls of the faithfully departed  +Robert Schueth +George Brockhaus	5 5:30pm L/D +Jamie Weidner Family
6 8am Mass of Thanksgiving  10am For The People Of The Cluster Parishes	7 <b>Labor Day</b> 8am L/D +Gene & +Mary Ellen Zach Family	8 8am +Ray Wemhoff	9 8am +Doris Boesch	10 8am L/D+Alvin & +Terry Fischer Families	11 8am +George Brockhaus	12 5:30pm +Bill Werner
13 8am Hallman Family  10am +George & +Viloa Hastreiter (WA)	14 8am +Joe Heimann	15 8am +Thelma Veik	16 8am +Eileen Wessel	17 8am L/D +Dale & Nell Schumacher Family	18 8am	19 5:30pm +Ray Wemhoff
20 8am L/D +Anton & +Roberta Buresh Family  10am +Jim McDermott	21 8am +Doris Boesch	22 8am L/D +Ed Kruse Family	23 8am +LaRose Preister (A)	24 8am Jerome & Rose Foltz Family	25 8am	26 5:30pm +Francis Sand (A)
27 8am Greg & Bev Holmberg Family  10am +Art & +Thelma Veik (WA)	28 8am +Don Moravec	29 8am +Jim McDermott	30 8am L/D +Ludwig & +Viola Wemhoff Family			

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<h1>September 2020</h1> <h2>St. Francis of Assisi Parish Birthdays</h2>						
		1 Emmitt Bender Myla Geilenkirchen Andrew Kosch Marie Larson	2	3 Anita Brandl McCoy Classen	4 Chance Boesch Tom Preister Brantley Reigle	5 Lean Kosch Ronda Lubischer Adrian Tasa Kenzie Wietfeld
6	7 Gayln Moeller	8 Schuyler Heesacker Romaine Lubischer Eric Sjuts	9 Jack Boesch Lori Classen Annette Ternus	10 Mcoy Abner Cash Hastreiter Oliver Tasa Jay Werner	11 Chad Classen Joe Classen	12 Janelle Foltz Hunter Klug Eloise Krings Aaron Wieser
13	14 Jocelyn Classen Hailey Foltz Tom Hastreiter Donna Kyncl	15	16 Kambry Westring	17 Don Dohmen Alexis Sjuts	18 Carmen Foltz Taya Harper	19 Lisa Geilenkirchen Rich Heinen Vance Kessler Chayse Wemhoff
20 Joan Duesman Phyllis Heinen Grace McPhillips Jane Sander Brianna Sjuts	21 Sara Groteluschen	22 Glenn Theilen	23 Jim Engel Brenna Wieseler	24 Bennett Wegener	25 RaeJean Pfeifer Addison Schneider	26 Jaycee Bruland Brandi Eisenmenger Rose Foltz Gene McPhillips Sue Wegener Devin Wiehn
27 Ann Babel Bailey Bender Ali Brandl Julie Fittje Katie McKay Fr. Wayne Pavela Larry Wisehart	28 Mark Fendrick Todd Groteluschen Charlie Sunderman Alan Ternus Karen K. Weidner	29 Rhylan Hooker Ryken Olmer	30 Gina Eisenmenger Rylan Neuhaus Sharon Wegener Kari Wieseler Milie Veik Peyton Zach			



**St. Francis Athletic Board Minutes**  
**August 3, 2020**

The St. Francis athletic board held a meeting on Monday, August 3, 2020, in the high school cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by the president, Ron Denkinger. Members present were Ron Denkinger, Ann Denkinger, Eric Kessler, Kevin Bender, Linda Bender, Kevin Kosch, Paula Kosch, Deacon Tim Howard and Melissa Howard. Mark Pfeifer and Melissa Pfeifer were excused.

Ron Denkinger opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Deacon Tim Howard and seconded by Kevin Bender.

The treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Kevin Kosch and seconded by Paula Kosch.

The expenses were reviewed. A motion to approve the expenses was made by Melissa Howard and seconded by Kevin Bender.

The pocket calendars are here. The old-style sports calendars have been replaced with each school having individual sports pocket calendars.

The first football game is August 28 with a 4 PM start time. The Flyers will begin their season hosting Wynot.

The first volleyball game is August 27 with the Lady Flyers hosting Osceola. The Lady Flyers will also participate in a Jamboree game at Howells.

The Annual Flyer Golf Tournament has 26 teams. Start time is 9:30 AM. All gifts, prizes and donations have been collected. The Lady Flyer volleyball girls will work the putting contest.

The athletic board would like to welcome Josh and Erica Wessel and thank them for joining in on the fun.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

The next meeting is September 9, 2020, at 7 PM.

Linda Bender, Secretary

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**MERCANTILE & COUNTRY STORE WILL BE HAVING A GARAGE SALE**



September 3, 4, and 5 in the parish hall to move all remaining inventory, craft items, material, chenille blankets, project pieces, paint tools, flowers, ribbon, doors and windows. Hours: 8 AM to 8 PM on Thursday and Friday, and 8 AM to 12 PM on Saturday. All proceeds go to St. Francis! Social distancing will be practiced.

## Liturgical Ministers for September 2020 - October 2020

Thank you for your ministry to your parish !! It is truly stewardship in action when we have all of the ministries filled at all the Masses!  
We ask that you mark your calendars and if you cannot be present to fulfill your obligation, that you trade with someone on the list, or find a replacement.

<b>Weekend</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Servers</b>	<b>E.M.H.C.</b>	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Offertory</b>
<b><u>Saturday</u> September 5, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Miles Foltz	Gage Braun Tucker Czarnick	Deacon Dennis Anderson Sharon Wegener	Joe & Lori Classen	Glenn & Joyce Ternus
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 6, 2020 8 AM</b>	Bruce Pfeifer	Ethan Keller Jacob Keller	Karen Sueper	Marge Albracht Deb Huettner	Dale & Gina Eisenmenger
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 6, 2020 10 AM</b>	Jordan Bender	Carter Classen Tanner Classen	Deacon Tim Howard Andy Krings	Ken & Jane Backes	Jim & Michele Wegener
<b><u>Saturday</u> September 12, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Bob Haiar	Ella Foltz Ava Hastreiter	Deacon Kent Sachau Jenny Ternus	Jerry & Jane Sander	Duane & Lindsey Kosch
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 13, 2020 8 AM</b>	Celie Anderson	Phillip Keller Emerson Krings	Lynn Teply	Tim & Beverly Zach	Kent & Carolyn Korth
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 13, 2020 10 AM</b>	Sharlene Hamling	Isaac Classen Jett Dunn	Deacon Dennis Anderson Sheila Goetsch	Michael & Natalie Ramaekers	Randy & Katie Zach
<b><u>Saturday</u> September 19, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Corrine Haiar	Carter Howard Madison Howard	Deacon Tim Howard Linda Ternus	Jim & Marcia Schrant	Russ & Patti Korth
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 20, 2020 8 AM</b>	Ethan Bruland	Jayda Krings Eli McPhillips	Bob Haiar	JoJo & Jennifer Dunn	Pat & Doris Wemhoff
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 20, 2020 10 AM</b>	Kim Jarosz	Tatum Classen Ty Classen	Dustin Ternus Roger Baumgart	Ryan & Karla Zach	Bill & Mary Ann Babel

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<b><u>Saturday</u> September 26, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Larry Korth	Andrew Kosch Leah Kosch	Deacon Tim Howard Paul Ramaekers	Dorothy Brandt Karen Werner	Terry & Michelle Wemhoff
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 27, 2020 8 AM</b>	Dustin Ternus	Eli Weidner Owen Weidner	Steve Wieser	Betty Brockhaus Lynn Teply	Jack & Cindy Boesch
<b><u>Sunday</u> September 27, 2020 10 AM</b>	Rita Keller	Camille Keller Schuyler Heesacker	Deacon Kent Sachau Rita Baumgart	Tim & Anita Brandl	Schuyler Wegener Alvin Reichmuth
<b><u>Saturday</u> October 3, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Terri Wilshusen	Gage Braun Jocelyn Dunn	Deacon Dennis & Celie Anderson	Trevin Foltz Betty Brockhaus	Andy & Alison Reigle
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 4, 2020 8 AM</b>	Kim Jarosz	Addison Schneider Colter Schneider	Jordan Bender	Mike & Carmen Foltz	Cathie Fuxa Paul Ramaekers
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 4, 2020 10 AM</b>	Todd Preister	Lexi Morfeld Dominick Preister	Deacon Tim Howard Anna Brockhaus	Tim & Beverly Zach	Tim & Anita Brandl
<b><u>Saturday</u> October 10, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Dustin Ternus	Gavin Geilenkirchen Mason Geilenkirchen	Deacon Kent Sachau Alan Ternus	Tim & Connie Foltz	Pat & Millie Veik
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 11, 2020 8 AM</b>	Dave Krings	Isaac Classen Jett Dunn	Dean Korus	Mark & Jeanne Brockhaus	Michael & Natalie Ramaekers
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 11, 2020 10 AM</b>	Celie Anderson	Ethan Wieseler Noah Wieseler	Deacon Dennis Anderson Chelsea Werner	Lynn Teply Gina Eisenmenger	Deloris Herchenbach Mary Classen

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<b><u>Saturday</u> October 17, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Ken Classen	Kiley Heinen Ethan Keller	P-Deacon Louie Dohmen Jayne Ternus	Milo & Rita Herink	Jim & Lois Gronenthal
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 18, 2020 8 AM</b>	Larry Korth	Tatum Classen Ty Classen	Elaine Gilsdorf	Tim & Anita Brandl	Mel & Karen Sueper
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 18, 2020 10 AM</b>	Ron Denkinger	Whitney Wegener Devon Baumgart	P-Deacon Dennis Anderson Ryan Goetsch	Jim & Lisa Classen	Dean & Mary Classen
<b><u>Saturday</u> October 24, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Jodie Eisenmenger	Jacob Keller Phillip Keller	Deacon Tim Howard Missy Braun	Mary Helen Fuchs Dorothy Brandt	Terry & Brenda Foltz
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 25, 2020 8 AM</b>	Rita Keller	Camille Keller Schuyler Heesacker	Dan Fehringer	Ken & Jane Backes	Jerry & Jane Sander
<b><u>Sunday</u> October 25, 2020 10 AM</b>	Gene McPhillips	Emerson Krings Jayda Krings	Deacon Kent Sachau Steve Wieser	Dean & Ann Preister	Dave & Diane Noonan
<b><u>Saturday-All Saints Eve</u> October 31, 2020 5:30 PM</b>	Paul Eisenmenger	Eli McPhillips Abilyn Schneider	Deacon Dennis Anderson Haley Schrage	Francis & Connie Jaixen	Steve & Amy Brockhaus

### **August 2020 - 500 Club Winners:**

8/02/20    #409    Deacon Kent & Tina Sachau  
8/09/20    #476    Tom & Linda Kosch  
8/16/20    #372    Kevin & Paula Kosch  
8/23/20    #72    Dave & Diane Noonan  
8/30/20    #185    Jim & Deb Herchenbach  
**Congratulations and thank you for your support!**

### **Liturgical Ministers Please Note:**

This schedule is contingent on the Covid-19 restrictions; we ask you to please view the bulletin weekly for these ministries.  
***Note to EMHC's:*** If a Deacon is at Mass, no other EMHC is needed. If the Deacon is not at Mass, then the EMHC scheduled is to come up.  
EMHC's are required to wear a mask while distributing the Eucharist.



## Congratulations to the August 2020 Prize-A-Day Calendar Winners!

Cal. Date	Event	Amount	Calendar #	Winner	City	State
8/01	Weekday	\$50	779	Alesia Wemhoff	Humphrey	NE
8/02	Sunday	\$75	761	Lugene Torczon	Columbus	NE
8/03	Weekday	\$50	507	Todd or Maria Preister	Humphrey	NE
8/04	Weekday	\$50	892	Brother Damian Pfeifer	St. Louis	MO
8/05	Weekday	\$50	325	Moriah, Meredyth, McKynley & Maverick Hastreiter	Humphrey	NE
8/06	Weekday	\$50	656	Barbara Saucedo	Hillsboro	TX
8/07	First Friday	\$75	647	Terry & Jane Pfeifer	Madison	NE
8/08	Weekday	\$50	1000	Marie Larson	Humphrey	NE
8/09	Sunday	\$75	542	Chris & Missy Braun Children	Humphrey	NE
8/10	Weekday	\$50	956	Jerome & Rose Foltz	Humphrey	NE
8/11	Weekday	\$50	648	John C. & Corinne A. Frey	Tilden	NE
8/12	Weekday	\$50	1112	Linda Bender	Humphrey	NE
8/13	Weekday	\$50	781	Andy & Holly Ternus	Blair	NE
8/14	Weekday	\$50	753	Brayton Wegener (Kurt)	Norfolk	NE
8/15	Assumption of Mary	\$400	1090	Rob & Cindy Wemhoff	Elkhorn	NE
8/16	Sunday	\$75	931	Tisha & Ella Foltz	Humphrey	NE
8/17	Weekday	\$50	449	Holden Luce	Foxfield	CO
8/18	Weekday	\$50	918	Terry & Brenda Foltz	Humphrey	NE
8/19	Weekday	\$50	885	Craig Wemhoff & Riley	Humphrey	NE
8/20	Weekday	\$50	249	Nathan & Stephanie Laska	Bellwood	NE
8/21	Weekday	\$50	958	Jerome & Rose Foltz	Humphrey	NE
8/22	Weekday	\$50	296	Janie Classen	Humphrey	NE
8/23	Sunday	\$75	223	Deacon Kent Sachau	Humphrey	NE
8/24	Weekday	\$50	643	Cheryl Haiar	Elkhorn	NE
8/25	Weekday	\$50	294	Eldon E. Engel	Columbus	NE
8/26	Weekday	\$50	125	Jeff & Cathy Warnemunde	Madison	NE
8/27	Weekday	\$50	82	Charlie Steward	Yankton	SD
8/28	Weekday	\$50	19	Jim & Lisa Classen	Humphrey	NE
8/29	Weekday	\$50	936	Tisha & Ella Foltz	Humphrey	NE
8/30	Sunday	\$75	419	Galen Gilsdorf	Humphrey	NE
8/31	Weekday	\$50	839	Scott & Gina Weidner	Creston	NE

**Thank you for your support!**



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL***

burns in the month of  
September 2020

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Kitty Wieser***

***L/D +Maurice Wieser Family***

in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental Presence  
in the tabernacle of our prayer chapel.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** by the statue of  
***ST. PEREGRINE***

burns in the month of  
September 2020

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Kent & Carolyn Korth***

***in memory of +Kerry Korth***

in gratitude for the intercession of St. Peregrine, and asking God  
to give his healing grace to all those who suffer from cancer.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***CHURCH SANCTUARY***

burns in the month of  
September 2020

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Dave Gilsdorf Family***

in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental Presence  
in the tabernacle of our Church.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***HIGH SCHOOL CHAPEL***

burns in the month of  
September 2020

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Sanctuary Lamp is unsponsored***

in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental Presence  
in the tabernacle of the Chapel where our student pray.

**This September Issue of The Tau is unsponsored.**

**The deadline for putting anything in the Tau is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.**

★ If you are interested in sponsoring the Children's Bulletin, the Tau, or any of the Sanctuary Candles,  
please stop by and see Karen in the parish office. These items are all located in our Wish List Book.

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