

St. Boniface Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekend Mass—Saturday—5:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass—Monday & Tuesday—5:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF WESTERN HOLT AND BOYD COUNTIES

Weekend Mass Schedules:

Saturday:

St. Boniface—Stuart

5:00 p.m.

St. Patrick—O'Neill

5:00 p.m.

(in Atkinson until Nov 30th)

SHBC—Saturday—7:00 p.m.

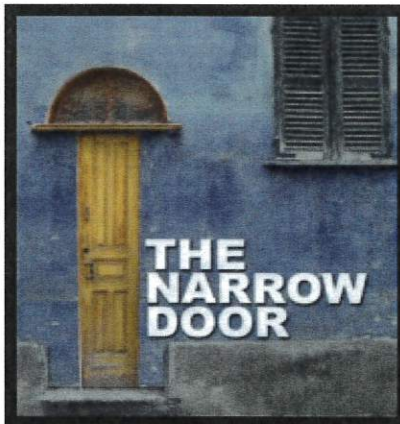
Week 1: Spencer

Week 2: Spencer

Week 3: Spencer

Week 4: Butte

Week 5: Spencer



Sunday:

St. Joseph—Atkinson

9:00 a.m.

St. Patrick—O'Neill

10:30 a.m.

(in Atkinson until Nov 30th)

St. Joseph—Amelia

11:15 a.m.

SHBC—Sunday—8:00 a.m.

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"Someone asked him, 'Lord, will only a few people be saved?' He answered them, 'Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. . .'"

Luke 13:23-24

August 23—24, 2025

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times and Intentions

Monday—Aug 25—NO MASS

Tuesday—Aug 26—5:30 p.m.

+ **LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FRANK SCHNEIDER FAMILY**

Wednesday—Aug 27—NO MASS

Thursday—Aug 28—NO MASS

Friday—Aug 29—NO MASS

Saturday—Aug 30—5:00 p.m.

PRO POPULO

Saturday—Aug 30—5:00 p.m.—Atkinson

Sunday—Aug 31—9:00 & 10:30 a.m.—Atkinson



Confession Time:
Saturdays—4:30—4:50 p.m.
or by appointment

Collection: August 16—17—2025

Regular Envelopes	\$1460.00
Loose	\$65.00
Children's Collection	\$28.64
Special Collections:	
Assumption	\$447.00



TOTAL \$2000.64

EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

6:00—8:00 p.m.

September 22nd & 29th

Please call Jan at 340.2303 to sign up. We need at least 2 people for each hour.

Christian Mothers

Rosary—Monday & Tuesday @ 5:10 p.m.

Saturday @ 4:40 p.m.

Next function/funeral—Group 4

Next Meeting—October 13 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement



Bulletin Editor: Jan Kunz—jankunz9@gmail.com—402-340-2303

Events & Meetings

Sun—Aug 24—Confirmation Sponsor/Student Retreat
1-4 p.m.—Church Basement

Mon—Aug 25—Religious Education Teacher Mtg
6:30 p.m.—Church Basement

Wed—Aug 27—Server Training @ 6:30 p.m.

Thurs—Aug 28—Ladies Guild—2:00 p.m.

Wed—Sept 3—Religious Ed Starts—6:30 p.m.
No Choir Practice

Wed—Sept 3—Jubilee of Hope Pilgrimage Stop—Lynch

Sat/Sun—Sept 6-7—Special Collection—ENERGY

Mon—Sept 8—4th Degree KC Meeting—7:30 p.m.

Wed—Sept 10—Religious Ed Classes—6:30 p.m.



Please Pray for . . .

Luke Olberding, Jim Kunz, Beckett Block,
Lois Schaaf, Kirstine Chvala,
Norbert & Jeanette Starman

Our deepest sympathies are
extended to the family of . . .

Paul Hostert

SHBC—Ss. Peter & Paul

Butte

*Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and
let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace.*

**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION INFO**

September 3rd

Classes Meet

No Choir Practice

September 10th

Classes Meet

No Choir Practice

Ladies Guild—August 28 @ 2:00 p.m.



Knights of Columbus

Oct 6—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

4th Degree Knights of Columbus

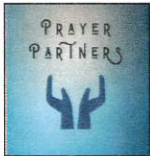
Sept 8—4th Degree Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.—O'Neill

“Love God, Serve God; everything is in that.” St. Clare of Assisi - Ministry Schedule

Serve one another through love. <i>Galatians 5:13</i>		<u>Saturday—August 30</u>		<u>Saturday—September 6</u>		
		5:00 p.m.		5:00 p.m.		
		LECTOR:	John Madsen		Tate Schmaderer	
		EMHC:	Ralph Olberding		Sharon Paxton	
		SERVERS:	Karlee Wolf Jase Wolf—Annabel Kohle		Truman Addison—Rylan Krysl Jack Wondercheck	
		USHERS:	Dale Riha—Travis Ludwig Alan Estes—Volunteer		John Tubbs—Jay Addison Kyle Connot—Gary Olberding	
		GREETERS/GIFTS:	Travis & Tracy Ludwig Family		Confirmation Class	
		MONEY COUNTERS:	Dale & Lorena Riha		Travis & Tracy Ludwig	
		<u>N*O*T*E*W*O*R*T*H*Y</u>				

Please direct any questions regarding the ministry schedule to
Deb Kramer in the parish office @ 924—3262.

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PRAYER PARTNER TIME—We need a few more Prayer Partners for the senior class. If you'd like to secretly pray for, send small gifts to, and generally keep a senior in your thoughts for the coming year, we'd love to have you be a part of the program. Call Jan at 402.340.2303 with any questions or to sign up. The seniors this year are: Cecelia Addison, Maddux Alder, Atwood Albrecht, Jasmine Davis, Zane Doke, Cameron Kaup, Owen Littau, Morgan Menke, Kayde Ramm, Drew Schmaderer, and Matthew Yemma. The seniors will find out who their Prayer Partners are in May of 2026.

SERVER TRAINING—AUGUST 27, 2025—Fr. Starman will be here on August 27th at 6:30 p.m. to do a server training/practice. This is for ALL students who are currently serving and also new 4th graders or anyone that hasn't been trained before.

BLEST ART COMING SOON—AUGUST 30—31, 2025—Blest art will be at each of the churches on the weekend of Aug. 30-31. They will have their beautiful olive wood and mother-of-pearl art from the Holy Land available for sale, and you can support them. Your support for these craftsmen and hard-working Christian artists helps to ensure a viable Christian presence in the land where the gospel was first preached.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION—SEPTEMBER 6—7, 2025—There will be a special collection on September 6 & 7 for our Energy needs. Envelopes are in your packet.

OCIA CLASSES STARTING (FORMERLY RCIA)—SEPTEMBER 7, 2025—The OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process through which people may enter the church as an adult. If you know someone who would like to learn more about and/or join the Catholic church, or you yourself would be interested, please contact the Parish Office at 402-336-1602, or Deacon MJ Kersenbrock, mjkersenbrock@archomaha.org Classes will begin Sept. 7.

THE 101ST OACCW CONVENTION—SEPTEMBER 15, 2025—The convention will be held on Monday, September 15, 2025 at Msgr. Werner Activity Center, Hartington, NE. Please pre-register by Sept. 1st if possible. Registration forms available in the entrance of church or call/txt Leonarda Arens, 402-253-5120 or Melissa Lordemann, 402-750-3375. Registration form and \$35 registration fee are mailed to: Kathy Lammers, 56095-878 Rd. Hartington, NE 68739. Checks are payable to: RNC Deanery CCW. You can also register online at: <http://forms.gle/YZBS4vvLmbHx54MJ9>.

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(Everyone signs up under St. Patrick's Parish—O'Neill.)

JUBILEE OF HOPE

+ Pilgrimage Stop +
ABVM—Lynch

Schedule:

Reconciliation—5:30—6:15 p.m.

Mass—6:30 p.m.

Adoration after Mass—8:00 p.m.

Dates: Sept 3, Oct 1, Oct 29,
Nov 5 and Dec 3



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Catholic Parishes of Western Holt and Boyd Counties,

Jesus often does not give straight answers to questions posed to him. This weekend's gospel story (Luke 12:22-30), for instance, starts with someone asking him, "Will only a few people be saved?" It seems like a straightforward question about numbers. But Jesus perceives that the questioner and the others whom he was teaching were not really as concerned about the final headcount as they were whether they themselves would be included among the redeemed.

The first part of Jesus's answer is about what you must do to position yourself for admission into the final gathering of the saved. The person who posed the question rightly recognized that salvation is God's work. The passive voice of the verb *be saved* implies one does not save oneself, but the redeeming action is done by God. However, as Jesus's response makes clear, one must engage in rigorous training in order to be in condition to accept the gift of being saved.

Jesus advises that one must "strive to enter through the narrow gate." The verb *agōnosomai*, "strive" is used to describe athletic training. Just as an athlete must gradually build up strength through daily disciplined exercise, so spiritual fitness takes consistent effort and training. Jesus notes that many who attempt to enter will not be strong enough. The second reading from Hebrews (12:5-7,11-13), also focuses on the discipline necessary to build up spiritual strength. Five times the author uses words derived from the Greek *paideuō* and *paideia*, which have to do with "discipline." The primary meaning is "instruction, training for responsible living."

The author makes an analogy between the training that a child receives from a parent and the guidance God provides us for deepening in our spiritual life. The Greek noun here means not so much punishment for wrongdoing as training for life. Some discipline consists in self-imposed, chosen actions that strengthen the spirit and enable one to follow the path of faithfulness. Other modes of life-shaping experiences are not purposely chosen, but how we deal with them forms us spiritually.

The author of Hebrews focuses on the latter kind of formation. He speaks of how God, like a loving parent, can help us learn from the difficulties that befall us and guide us in how to become stronger through them.

In the gospel Jesus speaks about what can happen to those who do not put any effort into "working out" spiritually. When the final moment comes, they will be on the outside pleading to get in, thinking that just having been present where Jesus is teaching would be enough. It is like someone who goes to the gym but only watches other people go through their paces. Such a one is not known in the company of athletes or prepared to make it to the finish line, "the narrow gate," and it will be too late then to start training. Jesus returns to the original question and, echoing the first reading from Isaiah (66:18-21), envisions masses of people from all directions who will be included among those saved. We may be surprised by who gets there first.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman
Pastor

REQUESTS

***To ensure all goes smoothly with sponsor requests for Baptisms, Confirmations, etc., it's important to request the forms *at least three weeks in advance* due to possible mail delays.

***Baptism requests must be made at *least 30 days prior* to the requested dates.

Forms can be found online at:

stbonifacestuart.com OR holtboydcatholic.org

Any mail for St. Patrick's Office or Fr. Starman
needs to be sent to:
313 E Hwy 20, O'Neill 68763