

ST. BONIFACE PARISH

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WEEKEND MASS: Saturday - 5:00 pm
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday & Tuesday - 5:30 pm

For where two or three
are gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:20

SEPTEMBER 5-6, 2026
23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catholic Parishes of Western Holt & Boyd Counties

SATURDAY

St. Boniface - Stuart - 5:00 pm
St. Patrick - O'Neill - 5:00 pm

SHBC - SATURDAY - 7:00 pm

Week 1: St. Mary - Spencer
Week 2: St. Mary - Spencer
Week 3: St. Mary - Spencer
Week 4: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte
Week 5: St. Mary - Spencer

Mass Schedules:



SUNDAY

St. Joseph - Atkinson - 9:00 am
St. Patrick - O'Neill - 10:30 am
St. Joseph - Amelia - 11:15 am

SHBC - SUNDAY - 8:00 am

Week 1: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte
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Week 4: St. Mary - Spencer
Week 5: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	SEPT 12 5:00 PM	SEPT 19 5:00 PM
LECTOR:	Jennifer Schmaderer	Justin Estill
EMHC:	Tracy Ludwig	Kelly Murphy
SERVERS:	John Ludwig Mary Ludwig Jack Wondercheck	Jase Wolf Rylan Krysl Emily Karo
GREETERS/ GIFTS:	Brock & Kristen Lange Family	Confirmation Class
USHERS:	John Tubbs Jay Addison Kyle Connot Gary Olberding	John Tubbs Jay Addison Kyle Connot Gary Olberding
MONEY COUNTERS:	Travis & Tracy Ludwig	Travis & Tracy Ludwig

Our time, talents, and treasure are on loan from God. Give them away with unlimited generosity.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Monday - September 7 - 5:30 p.m.
✠ JACK TIELKE

Tuesday - September 8 - 5:30 p.m.
✠ MEL STRACKE

Wednesday - September 9 - NO MASS

Thursday - September 10 - NO MASS

Friday - September 11 - NO MASS

Saturday - September 12 - 5:00 p.m.
✠ TERRA WALLINGER

Sunday - September 13 - 9:00 a.m. - Atkinson

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Saturday/Sunday - September 5/6
Special Collection for Energy Needs

Wednesday - September 9
CCD Classes Start @ 6:30 p.m.

Sunday - September 13
Safe Environment Training
3:00 p.m. - O'Neill

Sunday - September 13
OCIA Classes
4:00 p.m. - O'Neill

Monday - September 14
Christian Mothers Mtg @ 6:00 p.m.

Monday - September 14
4th Degree KC Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.
O'Neill

Tuesday - September 15
Parish Work Night @ 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - September 16
NO CCD Classes

Monday - September 21
OACCW Convention
Wayne

STEWARDSHIP:

August 30, 2026

Regular Envelopes	\$495.00
Loose	\$338.00
Children's Collection	\$37.00
Electronic Donations:	
August 1st	
August 15th	
August End of Month	\$50.00
Special Collections:	
Assumption	\$100.00
Missionary Co-op Appeal	\$20.00

TOTAL	\$1040.00

Confession Times: Saturdays 4:30-4:50 p.m. or by appointment

"Be
strong
and
let
your
heart
take
courage
all
you
who
hope
in
the
Lord."

Psalms
31:24

NOTEWORTHY

HOLY LAND OLIVE ART - SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 - Next weekend Holy Land Olive Art will be here with their beautiful artwork pieces to purchase.

OCIC CLASSES - SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 - OCIA 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 Deacon MJ Kersenbrock mjkersenbrock@archomaha.org or the Parish Office at 402-336-1602. Classes will begin September 13.

PARISH WORK NIGHT - SEPTEMBER 15, 2026 - All are welcome and encouraged to come help do some clean-up work, tree trimming, fence removal, dusting and cleaning the church pews and other clean-up details on and around the parish grounds at 7:00 p.m. on the 15th. Come lend a hand!

OACCW CONVENTION - SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 - The 102nd Convention of the Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (OACCW) will be held on Monday, September 21, 2026, at the Wayne City Auditorium, 222 N Pearl St., Wayne, NE.

FOOD DRIVE - West Holt Ministries will be conducting a community wide food drive through the month of September. Please drop your non-perishable food items in the box at the entrance of the church.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, "Go and tell your brother his fault," He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "If he listens to you, you have won over your brother," we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.— Father John Muir

Welcome to our newest members:  BARRON PAUL SEARS and STORM HAO SEARS Sons of Brandon & Sharissa Sears August 29, 2026	<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</u> <u>September 9</u> Classes @ 6:30 p.m. NO Youth Choir <u>September 16</u> NO CCD Classes NO Youth Choir		Please keep in your prayers our Seminarian of the Month: Ethan Menning 
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<u>CHRISTIAN MOTHERS</u> Next Mtg: September 14 @ 6:00 p.m. Church Basement Next Funeral/Function: CH 3	<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u> KC Mtg: October 5 @ 7:30 p.m. +++++ 4th Degree KC Mtg: September 14 @ 7:30 p.m. Location: O'Neill	<u>LADIES GUILD GATHERING</u> September 24 2:00 p.m. St. Boniface School Building	<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR:</u> Emerson Batenhorst Olivia Cannon Kirstine Chvala Lois Schaaf
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Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Catholic Parishes of Western Holt and Boyd Counties,

Some years ago a religious sister overheard a hurtful comment made about her by one of her coworkers. For weeks, her community members heard her replay the remark again and again, and her hurt feelings grew exponentially. Finally, they urged her to go and speak with the person who had offended her to try to smooth things out. After a pause, she confessed, "I think I'd rather have my grievance!"

In this weekend's gospel (Matt 18: 15-20), Jesus provides advice to his disciples on how to move step-by-step toward reconciling grievances within the Christian community. This is not a recipe that can be applied to all situations, but it gives specific advice on how to resolve differences when one is hurt by another member of the community.

The first step, says Jesus, is for the one who has suffered hurt is to confront the person who has inflicted it. This is not as easy as it may sound. But there will never be peace as long as the one harmed allows the hurt to fester and grow by holding on to it and recounting it to others. If, however, the one hurt musters the courage to speak to the other, and of the other has the courage to listen honestly and openly, reconciliation becomes a possibility.

What Jesus does not outline here is that for true reconciliation to occur, the one who was hurt must be willing to offer forgiveness, and the perpetrator of the harm must be willing to acknowledge it truthfully, amend the behavior, and make restitution, if possible. Then there is the possibility of a new future of peaceable interrelation between the two.

What if one-on-one confrontation does not work? Then, Jesus says, take one or two others along with you. This not so that you can gang up on the one who hurt you; rather an impartial mediator or two can help establish the truth and can help bring the parties to an agreement.

Jesus anticipates that the disciples will press him further: But what if that doesn't work either? Then, Jesus says, involve the whole community, since any rupture in relationships within the Christian community affects all the members. If this strategy fails as well Jesus, then says to treat the offender as "a Gentile or a tax collector."

At first this may seem to mean that the offender should be excluded from the community. But when we look at the way Jesus befriended with such people (see Matt 8:5-19; 9:9-13; 11:19; 15:21-28), it may be that Jesus is asking us to be willing to sit and break bread together, even when we have irreconcilable differences. It is important to note that the gospel text does not indicate the nature of the offense. The strategy outlined in this weekend's gospel would not work for every kind of offense. Finally, Jesus urges the community to pray together for reconciliation. Already, the animosity melts away when parties to a grievance can agree to pray for resolution. When they can genuinely pray for the good for the other, their prayer is already granted.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman
Pastor

Have a happy and safe Labor Day weekend!

July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

St. Boniface Income

Activity & Entertainment	\$ 82,841.99
Parish Contributions	\$ 125,294.81
Building Rent	\$ 4,880.00
Other Operation Income	\$ 15,514.81
Youth Ministry & Religious Ed	\$ 2,393.00
Cemetery	\$ 16,492.00
Total St. Boniface Income	<u><u>\$ 247,416.61</u></u>

St. Boniface Expenses

Activity & Entertainment	\$ 13,131.25
Administrative Services & Supplies	\$ 98,713.39
Lay Personnel Costs	\$ 44,186.40
Religious Personnel Costs	\$ 36,567.21
Youth Ministry & Religious Ed	\$ 7,874.37
Cemetery	\$ 5,341.07
Total St. Boniface Expenses	<u><u>\$ 205,813.69</u></u>

**Religious Ed Teachers
2026-2027**

Kris Cornell - Kindergarten

1st Grade - Theresa Fahrenholz

2nd Grade - Sharissa Sears

3rd Grade - Jan Kunz

4th & 5th Grades - Terri Kaup

6th Grade - Doreen Fessler

7th & 8th Grades - Tracy Ludwig

9th & 10th Grades - Darby & Sara Paxton

11th & 12th Grades - ?????

Please consider helping us out with these classes. Don't underestimate what you can bring to the table - we need people just like you - REAL, HONEST, and RESPONSIBLE. These kids will not meet until we find a teacher.

**THANK YOU TO ALL OF THOSE THAT HAVE
OFFERED THEIR TIME AND TALENT TO TEACHING IN
THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY THIS YEAR.**