

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.

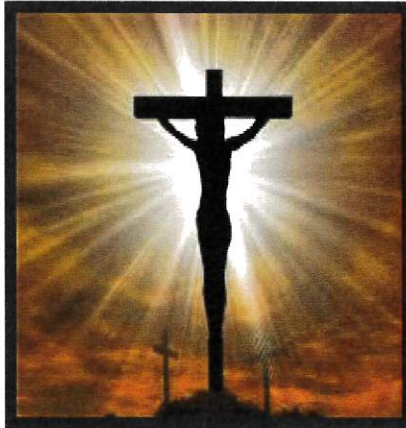
Week 1: Spencer

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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*"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved through him."*

John 3:17

September 13 –14, 2025

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Mass Times and Intentions

Monday—Sept 15—NO MASS

Tuesday—Sept 16—5:30 p.m.

+ **MICHAEL KEOGH**

Wednesday—Sept 17—NO MASS

Thursday—Sept 18—NO MASS

Friday—Sept 19—NO MASS

Saturday—Sept 20—5:00 p.m.

+ **GARRY LOCKMON & DECEASED SCHMADERER
FAMILY MEMBERS**

Saturday—Sept 20—5:00 p.m.—Atkinson

Sunday—Sept 21—9:00 & 10:30 a.m.—Atkinson



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

Collection: September 6—7—2025

Regular Envelopes (14)	\$735.00
Loose	\$82.00
Children's Collection	\$9.67
Special Collection:	
Energy	\$315.00



TOTAL \$1141.67

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

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Due to scheduling conflicts and with the upcoming time change and colder weather, adoration is cancelled until the spring. It may possibly restart in April. Thanks for your understanding. Watch the bulletin for details.

Christian Mothers

Rosary—Monday & Tuesday @ 5:10 p.m.

Saturday @ 4:40 p.m.

Next function/funeral—Group 1

Next Meeting—October 13 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement



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

Events & Meetings

Sat/Sun—Sept 13-14—Special Collection—GAZA

Tues—Sept 16—Joint Parish Council &
Finance Committee Meeting—7:00 p.m.

Wed—Sept 17—No Religious Ed Classes
No Choir Practice

Wed—Sept 17—Confirmation Practice—5:00 p.m.

Sat—Sept 20—CONFIRMATION

Wed—Sept 24—Youth Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.
Religious Ed Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Thurs—Sept 25—Ladies Guild—2:00 p.m.

Sun—Sept 28—Beginnings Baby Bottle Fundraiser Ends

Wed—Oct 1—Pilgrimage Stop—Lynch



Please Pray for . . .

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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFO

September 17th

NO Classes or
Choir Practice

Confirmation Practice
@ 5:00 p.m.

Ladies Guild—September 25 @ 2:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus

Oct 6—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

4th Degree Knights of Columbus

Oct 13—4th Degree Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.—Stuart



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

Saturday—September 20—Confirmation		Saturday—September 27	
Serve one another through love. <i>Galatians 5:13</i>	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	
	LECTOR: Darby Paxton	Lisa Keogh	
	EMHC: MJ Kersenbrock	Kathy Kunz	
	SERVERS: Kennedie Kohle—Jase Wolf Jack Wondercheck—Drew Paxton	Karlee Wolf—Jase Wolf Jack Wonderchek	
	USHERS: John Tubbs—Jay Addison Kyle Connot—Gary Olberding	John Tubbs—Jay Addison Kyle Connot—Gary Olberding	
	GREETERS/GIFTS: Travis & Tracy Ludwig Family	Tom & Bonnie Krysl	
	MONEY COUNTERS: Travis & Tracy Ludwig	Travis & Tracy Ludwig	
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Please direct any questions regarding the ministry schedule to
Deb Kramer in the parish office @ 924—3262.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN EMHC AND/OR LECTOR? — The training is all online and can be completed at anytime. Requirements to be an EMHC or lector include: you must be a fully initiated, practicing Catholic, in good standing, that have a parish affiliation, and demonstrate responsibility and commitment to service, and are at least a junior in high school. Please contact Jan Kunz @ 340-2303 for more information.

THANK YOU—Thanks goes out to Tri-County Bank for their donation of paying for the CCD teachers and the Kindergarten through 7th grade students' admission to the movie 'Light of the World' at the Murphy Theatre on Wednesday, September 10th. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

THE CROSS IS NOT NEGOTIABLE- "Holiness isn't for wimps," Mother Angelica famously said. "And the cross isn't negotiable, sweetheart — it's a requirement." I love Mother Angelica, and I love this quote. Following God is tough, and to do it you have to make a decision to be tough, to endure tough things — and ultimately, to love the toughness of it all, because within that struggle God meets us with mercy and salvation. But in light of today's readings, I think Mother Angelica would forgive me for tweaking her words a tiny bit. Holiness is for wimps, because the cross isn't negotiable. When the unfaithful among the Israelites were bitten by the serpents, they were healed by looking upon the instrument of their suffering: the serpent itself, mounted on Moses' staff. With a literary flourish that puts Homer and Shakespeare to shame, God inverts that primitive symbol. To heal us, he invites us to look upon the cross — the sacrifice which achieved our redemption. Jesus came here to die on that cross for us. For the wimps. Because we couldn't do it ourselves, even if we tried. We couldn't right all of our wrongs, not if we had a million years to do it. We would keep screwing it up. We would keep failing. We're wimps; that's what we do. But the cross — the cross is a magnificent invitation to something more. Divinity Himself, assuming the cloak of flesh and the weight of sin, so that when we look at the cross we might recognize ourselves. So that we might see what we have been, what we are, what we could be. And none of it is negotiable.—Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

TRUMPET OF THE CROSS



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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: 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,

This weekend's gospel reading (John 3:13-17) is taken from Jesus's dialogue with Nicodemus, a Pharisee and member of the Sanhedrin who was interested in Jesus's teaching. In the middle of this dialogue, Jesus says the Son of Man must be "lifted up" like the serpent in the desert, referring to his own forthcoming crucifixion.

On this feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we rejoice in the cross of Jesus, but it should at least give us a momentary pause to be celebrating a Roman torture device. In the centuries since Jesus lived, died, and rose, the cross has become almost entirely sanitized in Western culture. In some quarters the cross is as much a brand as anything else on the clothes we wear, the cars we drive, or the technology we keep in our pockets. Our society loves to "lift things up": wealth, status, power and so on. In this context, the cross becomes yet another aesthetic symbol and we become mere "influencers." We forget the gravity of the matter enough to see a crucifix and glance away, thinking to ourselves, "Oh, that's nice, maybe I'll order one on Amazon." In truth, what Jesus says must be "lifted up" is instead most ugly, most unseemly, most homely. It is not a golden calf, nor an army's standard, nor a brand logo, but the bloodied and broken God-man, fastened to a piece of wood.

But that's exactly what Jesus desires. Paul writes in his letter to the Philippians that Jesus "did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." The last indeed shall be first, beginning with God himself. As he is "lifted up" on the cross, Jesus's descent to our own human condition reveals everything that is to be God for us: the totality of self-emptying love, broken and shared. In the *Saint John's Bible* depiction of the crucifixion scene both cross and Christ are pure gold, the total revelation of God's very self, shown against the cosmic background – this is an event that resounds through all time and space. By the love of Christ outpoured, the atrocity of the crucifixion becomes something profoundly beautiful. The cross is no longer simply an instrument of death, but has become the means by which we are given abundant life.

In this courageous act of love, we find reason for hope and a decisive direction for our own life. We have no reason to fear either life or death, as God's redeeming love is enough for us. As was the case with the serpent in the desert, "lifted up" for all to look up in search of healing, we are offered wholeness and redemption by gazing upon the cross. However, in turning to the cross, we also must recognize Jesus's destiny as our own. We, too, must be "lifted up" with Christ, born from above in baptism and thus united with him in his death and resurrection. If we love as Christ loves, we will not escape our own crosses. In celebrating the Holy Cross, we praise Jesus for his saving love, but we must also heed his call: "deny yourself and take up your cross daily and follow me." Luke 9:23).

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman
Pastor

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by texting: **68780**
(for St. Boniface notifications) or
HOLTBOYDCATHOLIC
(for all notifications) to: **84576**

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