

ST. BONIFACE PARISH

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

MANY ARE
CALLED
FEW ARE
CHOSEN

OCTOBER 10-11, 2026
28th 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

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	OCT 17 5:00 PM	OCT 24 5:00 PM
LECTOR:	Tate Schmaderer	Darby Paxton
EMHC:	Becky Estill	Tom Dvorak
SERVERS:	Emily Karo Kennedie Kohle Annabel Kohle	Alexis Lange Drew Paxton Jase Wolf
GREETERS/ GIFTS:	Dan & Karen Myers	Tom & Bonnie Krysl
USHERS:	Rick Shearer Brock Lange Roger Scholz Jon Schmaderer	Rick Shearer Brock Lange Roger Scholz Jon Schmaderer
MONEY COUNTERS:	Rick & Terri Shearer	Rick & Terri Shearer

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

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Monday - October 12 - 5:30 p.m.
+DARRELL & LARRY PAXTON AND A.H. & GERTIE KAUP

Tuesday - October 13 - 5:30 p.m.
+ROY CADWALLADER

Wednesday - October 14 - NO MASS

Thursday - October 15 - NO MASS

Friday - October 16 - NO MASS

Saturday - October 17 - 5:00 p.m.
+ALL SOULS

Sunday - October 18 - 9:00 a.m. - Atkinson

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Monday - October 12
4th Degree KC Meeting
@ 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday - October 14
Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.
RE Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Saturday - October 17
Youth Choir Sings at Mass

Saturday/Sunday - October 17/18
World Mission Sunday Collection

Wednesday - October 21
Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.
RE Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Thursday - October 22
Ladies Guild @ 2:00 p.m.

Sunday - October 25
St. Joseph's Parish Auction
Atkinson

Wednesday - October 28
Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.
RE Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP:

October 4, 2026

Regular Envelopes	\$5839.44
Loose	\$147.00
Children's Collection	\$64.00
Electronic Donations:	
October 1 st	\$1930.00
October 15th	
Sept End of Month	\$50.00
Special Collections:	

TOTAL	\$8030.44

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

“He
makes
me
lie
down
in
green
pastures;
he
leads
me
beside
quiet
waters.
He

restores
my
soul.”
Psalm
23:2-3

NOTEWORTHY

SPECIAL COLLECTION - OCTOBER 17 & 18, 2026 - There will be a second collection taken up on the weekend of Oct. 17-18 for World Mission Sunday. The offerings collected are destined for a common fund of solidarity distributed in the Pope's name, by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith among the missions and missionaries of the world. Envelopes are in your packet.

HOLY LAND ART - OCTOBER 31, 2026 - Holy Land Art will be here on Oct. 31st to sell their beautiful art pieces after Mass. They will be in Atkinson on Nov. 1st and in O'Neill and Amelia the following weekend.

MULLEN AWARD WINNER - Congratulations to Jolene Kathol, Parishioner of Holy Trinity Parish of Hartington for being awarded the Mullen Award! She was bestowed this honor from the Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (OACCW) at their 102nd Convention in Wayne on Sept. 21, 2026. OACCW Spiritual Advisor Rev. Ross Burkhalter and Archbishop Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern were there to congratulate her along with family and the women of the Omaha diocese. Well deserved! Go to oaccw.org for more pictures and information.

MARRIAGE ROCKS! INFORMATION NEEDED - We are wanting to update parish records and gather information on wedding anniversaries for our upcoming "Celebrating Milestones" Celebration in February. Please fill out a card in the pew and drop it in the box in the entrance of the church, fill out the form online at: <https://forms.gle/TbvNtK57cj8eUMv5>, or scan the QR code. Thank you so much to those who have already turned in their information. It is appreciated. Please have information in by October 26th. The "Marriage Rocks! Celebrating Milestones" event is set for February 13th in O'Neill. Watch for more details coming soon!



SPIRIT CATHOLIC RADIO SPEAKER - NOVEMBER 4, 2026 - Come Hear Joe Heschmeyer on the Eucharist! Spirit Catholic Radio welcomes Catholic Answers apologist and author Joe Heschmeyer to Sacred Heart Parish Center in Norfolk on November 4th at 6:30 PM for an evening of faith and inspiration. Joe will speak on "The Eucharistic Heart of Christianity," exploring the central role of the Eucharist in our Catholic faith. Come experience Joe's engaging blend of reason, faith, and Catholic apologetics. Get your tickets today at <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/joe/>! Catch Catholic Answers Live weekdays at 5 PM CT on Spirit Catholic Radio at 88.3 FM in Norfolk.

Our sympathies to
the families of:



HELEN SCHMADERER

St. Patrick - O'Neill

DAROLD SCHNEIDER

St. Patrick - O'Neill

VERA BLUM

SHBC - Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

October 14

Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.

Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

October 21

Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.

Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal:

\$9,654.00

Committed as of
October 6th:

\$3,655.00

Please keep in your
prayers our
Seminarian of the
Month:

Casey LaMotte



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Next Mtg: November 9
@ 6:00 p.m.

St. Boniface School

Next Funeral/Function:
CH 3

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KC Mtg:

November 2 @ 7:30 p.m.

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4th Degree KC Mtg:

October 12 @ 7:30 p.m.

Location: Stuart

LADIES GUILD GATHERING

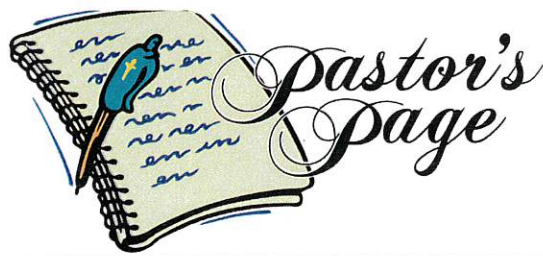
October 22

2:00 p.m.

St. Boniface
School Building

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Emerson Batenhorst
Olivia Cannon
Kirstine Chvala
Lois Schaaf



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

While beautifully embossed paper invitations sent by “snail mail” are still used for very special occasions, a much easier and less formal “e-vite,” sent electronically to our email inboxes, has become increasingly common for more informal occasions.

In this weekend’s gospel (Matt 22: 1-14), the host of the great banquet seems to have used the ancient equivalents of both of these as he prepared for his son’s wedding. When those received formal invitations are summoned to the feast, they refuse to come, even after two attempts by the servants. The king then instructs the servants to go out to the streets and invite everyone they find. They do so, gathering in the “bad and good alike,” and the banquet hall is filled.

Matthew’s version of the parable doesn’t highlight the status divisions between the first and the last invited. Nor are the latter said to be poor, crippled, blind, and lame, as in Luke’s version (14:15-24). Instead, Matthew focusses on the extravagance of the host and the expected responses.

This is the third in a series of three parables directed at the religious leaders, who would be expected to be the first to receive and respond affirmatively to God’s invitation through Jesus. But these are not the ones to fill the banquet hall. Jesus, calls out to all “from the heights out over the city,” extending an “e-vite” to any who are willing to “advance in the way of understanding” (Prov 9:3,6).

But there is a catch. One must come properly attired. In the Pauline letters we find frequent use of the metaphor of putting on clothing to signify the way of life one embraces. The Colossians are exhorted, “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience” (Col 3:12; see also Rom 13:14; Gal 3:27). Likewise, Matthew would have all the guests clothe themselves with good deeds and faithfulness, ever ready for the banquet. More is needed than just showing up.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman
Pastor

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - The King of Rejected Meals - By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman - “She was the Queen of Rejected Meals.” That’s what I want it to say on my tombstone. Etched in marble, deeply, so the wind and rain of a thousand years can never erase it. Humor, you see, masks my despair. I’m sure many of you know the feeling of sweating over a hot stove for an hour to create a dish that a small, picky eater will push away, lips curled with disgust. We’ve all made a feast no one wanted to come to. It strikes me that “King of Rejected Meals” is an epithet which could likewise be scrawled on the empty tomb. Don’t mistake me — I’m not comparing myself to Christ! (And I’m definitely not comparing my sub-par beef-and-zucchini casserole to the Eucharist, the food of life.) I’m just saying that a lot of evenings, when I’m clearing plates from the table, I wonder why I even bother. I wonder why I don’t just give in and let the kids eat potato chips and KitKats for every meal like they want. Why don’t I? Well, mom guilt, for starters. But it’s more than that, really. It’s the certainty I have, underneath the resentment, that my efforts aren’t in vain, despite all evidence to the contrary. Hope springs eternal, you see. How can we Christians help but be optimistic? We have been welcomed to a feast laid for others. We find our salvation in the ultimate rejected meal, in recognizing what true nourishment looks and feels and tastes like, even — especially! — when the rest of the world does not. Maybe one day my kids will eat grilled chicken willingly. Who knows? Miracles happen every day.