

# 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.



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.

St. Joseph—Amelia

11:15 a.m.

SHBC—Sunday—8:00 a.m.

Week 1: Butte

Week 2: Butte

Week 3: Butte

Week 4: Spencer

Week 5: Butte

“ . . . for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.”

~ Luke 2: 30-32

February 1—2, 2025

*The Presentation of the Lord*

## Mass Times and Intentions

Monday—Feb 3—5:30 p.m.

†GARRY LOCKMON

Tuesday—Feb 4—5:30 p.m.

†BUD & MARY KUNZ

Wednesday—Feb 5—NO MASS

Thursday—Feb 6—NO MASS

Friday—Feb 7—2:00 p.m.—Parkside

†LARRY & IRENE COBB

Saturday—Feb 8—5:00 p.m.

†HELEN ADAMS

Sunday—Feb 9—9:00 a.m.—Atkinson



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

## Collection: January 25—26—2025

Regular (20)	\$1150.00
Loose	\$181.05
One Rose-One Life	\$310.00
Seminary (2)	\$20.00
Children's Collection	\$28.00
January Online Donations	\$2385.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4074.05</b>



EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

6:00—8:00 p.m.

February

17th—24th

## Christian Mothers

Rosary—Monday & Tuesday @ 5:10 p.m.

Saturday @ 4:40 p.m.

Next function/funeral—Group 2

Next Meeting—February 10 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement



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## Events & Meetings

Sun—Feb 2—KC Free Throw Contest @ 12:30 p.m.

Mon—Feb 3—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

Wed—Feb 5—Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Mon—Feb 10—Christian Mothers Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

Mon—Feb 10—4th Degree KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

Tues—Feb 11—OACCW Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.

Wed—Feb 12—Safe Environment Training  
@ 5:30 p.m.

Fri—Feb 14—HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Fri—Feb 14—Happy Couple Date Night

Sat—Feb 15—Youth Choir sings at Mass

Sat/Sun—Feb 15/16—Special Insurance Collection



## Please Pray for . . .

Jim Kunz + Beckett Block  
Lois Schaaf + Kirstine Chvala

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

Lawrence "Lee" Obermire

SHBC—Ss. Peter & Paul—Butte

Terry Tomjack

St. Patrick—O'Neill

*Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and  
let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.*

## CCD News & Notes

### Feb 5

Youth Choir @ 6:00 pm  
CCD Classes @ 6:30 pm

### Feb 12

Youth Choir @ 6:00 pm  
CCD Classes @ 6:30 pm

Ladies Guild—February 27 @ 2:00 p.m.



## Knights of Columbus

Feb 3—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

## 4th Degree Knights of Columbus

Feb 10—4th Degree Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.—Stuart

*"Love God, Serve God; everything is in that." St. Clare of Assisi - Upcoming Liturgical Duties*

	Saturday—February 8	Saturday—February 15
	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
LECTOR:	Kim Estes	Justin Estill
EMHC:	Tom Dvorak	Becky Estill
SERVERS:	Karlee Wolf Jase Wolf	Kole Estill Alexis Lange
USHERS:	Leon Kramer—Gary Stoltenberg Tom Krysl—Jeff Wallinger	Leon Kramer—Gary Stoltenberg Tom Krysl—Jeff Wallinger
GREETERS/GIFTS:	Confirmation Class	Jay & Sarah Addison Family
MONEY COUNTERS:	Jeff & Kim Wallinger Everett Vogel	Jeff & Kim Wallinger Everett Vogel

**N\*O\*T\*E\*W\*O\*R\*T\*H\*Y**

**OACCW WINTER MEETING—FEBRUARY 11, 2025**—All Women are invited to the OACCW (Omaha Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women) meeting at St Francis Borgia Church, 2005 Davis Drive, Blair NE 68008. Starts at 9:30 a.m. with registration (\$10) includes coffee/rolls and lunch. RSVP encouraged by February 1 for lunch count to Leonarda Arens, OACCW President, via email at [arensjrepair@hotmail.com](mailto:arensjrepair@hotmail.com) or text to 402-253-5120.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING—FEBRUARY 12, 2025**—5:30 p.m. - Room 208 at St. Mary's High School—Anyone that would like to volunteer in a Catholic grade school, high school, or Religious ed program in any capacity, **MUST** take this initial training. Please sign up at: [omaha.cmgconnect.org](http://omaha.cmgconnect.org). Call Jan Kunz @ 402-340-2303 if you have any questions or problems getting registered.

**THE HAPPY COUPLE DATE NIGHT—FEBRUARY 14, 2025**—Make this Valentine's Day one to remember! Treat your spouse to a night filled with laughter and love as Mark Gungor shares his hilarious and heartfelt take on marriage. Check out the flyer in the entrance of church for more information.

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION—FEBRUARY 15-16, 2025**—A special collection will be taken up on the weekend of February 15-16 for insurance. Envelopes are in your packet.

**THE HEALTHY COUPLE WEEKEND—FEBRUARY 28 & MARCH 1, 2025**—Join us for a transformative weekend marriage retreat designed to strengthen your relationship and deepen your connection with your spouse. Friday, February 28th from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, March 1st from 9 a.m.—2 p.m. at Faith Wesleyan in Atkinson, NE. See flyer in the entrance of church for more information.

**WHAT IS STANDING BETWEEN YOU AND A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?**

**MARCH 29, 2025**

Rural Lenten Women's Conference "Experiencing God's Forgiveness".

Conference will be held at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Spencer Nebraska. \$20 pre-registration by March 20th, \$30 after. Call Jan Kunz @ 402-340-2303 to register.

Please make checks out to WHBC Evangelization.

**KC FREE THROW**

**CONTEST**

**FEBRUARY 2nd**

Stuart High

School Gym

Doors open at

12:30 p.m.

Shoot at 1:00 p.m.



**THE THOUGHTS OF MANY HEARTS**

**A Mini Reflection:** The oldest trick of the devil is to distract us from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do — there are so many other things we could be doing. So, do we have the courage to look to our own hearts, to come face to face with our own choices, our own true selves?



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

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

In the first reading this weekend (Mal 3:1-4) the prophet Malachi promises that someday the Lord will return to the temple with a messenger before him. In this weekend's gospel (Luke 2:22-40), the Lord does return to the temple. Simeon the temple priest grasps the importance of this visit, first by recognizing that it is indeed the Lord whom he sees. Simeon has been waiting for the arrival of a savior, promised by God that he would be alive to witness. God appears not in might or majesty, but in the innocence of an infant. Coming out of Advent we might take this radical presence for granted – perhaps we have been admiring the nativity scene at our parish or our home. Alternatively, we may expect God to appear in glory as “the Lord mighty in battle,” as this weekend's psalm describes (Psalm 24:7,8,9,10), picturing a God who appears decisively to solve all of our problems. When Christ reveals himself to us, whether in word, in sacrament, or in the face of another human being, will we recognize him? Or will we miss him because we are expecting something else?

Upon recognizing Jesus, Simeon prophesies that “this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel,” and that Mary herself will be pierced. Malachi warns, “Who will endure the day of his coming?” Clearly the appearance of God is not all fun and games. A prominent theme throughout the remainder of Luke's gospel is that the revelation of God prompts a choice. If we recognize the presence of God in Jesus Christ, do we choose to follow, or do we walk away? Will we “rise” with Christ, or will we “fall” into sin and despair? As Malachai describes with images of fire and lye, God desires to purify us. To cleanse us of all defects or blemish, so that we can “stand when he appears.” God is wholly love, and ultimately nothing that is not love can stand in God's presence for very long – this truth is grounds of Catholic teaching on purgatory after death. Refinement can be painful. Who among us wants to give up attachments or vices or worldly possessions? And who can do it without much struggle and anguish? As Simeon prophesies, Mary will be pierced for standing by Jesus to the end. Will we, too, persevere in faith?

Importantly, standing with God is not something that God asks us to do by ourselves. In fact, God's very relationship with Israel, concretized in the temple and likewise with us today, is one of abiding presence. Mary and Joseph provide a model of what standing with God can look like. At the presentation, they humbly give what they have for the service of God trusting that God will do the rest. As Luke notes, they provide two doves as an offering for the purification ritual, given that they could not afford a lamb (see Lev 12:6). In presenting Jesus in the temple, Mary and Joseph offer back to God the very extraordinary gift that they have been given, acknowledging in this gift that neither of them is Savior of the world – their son is. If we trust in God's Providence for each of us, then God will provide the grace to mold our hearts in his image.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman  
Pastor

**SEARCH ME, GOD, AND KNOW  
MY HEART; TEST ME AND KNOW  
MY ANXIOUS THOUGHTS. SEE IF  
THERE IS ANY OFFENSIVE WAY  
IN ME, AND LEAD ME IN THE  
WAY EVERLASTING.**

### ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

\$7,172.44 of \$8,604.44  
committed as of January 28th

Any mail for St. Patrick's Office or Fr. Starman  
needs to be sent to:  
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