# 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.



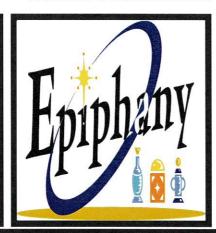
## SHBC-Saturday-7:00 p.m.

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.

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

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Week 4: Spencer

Week 5: Butte

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." ~Matthew 2:11

January 4 −5, 2025

The Epiphany of the Lord

# Mass Times and Intentions

Monday—Jan 6—5:30 p.m.

**+HELEN ADAMS** 

Tuesday—Jan 7—5:30 p.m.

**+DON BOUSKA** 

Wednesday—Jan 8—NO MASS

Thursday—Jan 9—NO MASS

Friday—Jan 10—NO MASS

Saturday—Jan 11—5:00 p.m.

+DARRELL PAXTON, AH & GERTIE KAUP AND DICK KAUP

Sunday—Jan 12—9:00 a.m.—Atkinson



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

# Collection: December 28-31-2024

Regular (17)

Loose

Solemnity of Mary

Christmas (11)

Children's Collection

December On Line Donations

TOTAL

\$1815.00 \$165.00

\$553.07

\$1085.00

\$29.00

\$2360.00

\$6007.07

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

6:00-8:00 p.m.

January

20th — 27th



Rosary — Monday & Tuesday @ 5:10 p.m. Saturday @ 4:40 p.m.

Next function/funeral — Group 4

Next Meeting—February 10 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement

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# **Events & Meetings**

Mon—Jan 6—KC Meeting—7:30 p.m.

Wed—Jan 8—Blood Drive—Stuart Auditorium

Wed—Jan 8—Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m. CCD Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Mon-Jan 13-4th Degree KC Meeting-7:30 p.m.

Wed—Jan 15—Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m. CCD Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

Sat—Jan 18—Youth Choir sings at 5:00 p.m. Mass

Mon—Jan 20—Eucharistic Adoration—6-8 p.m.

Tues—Jan 21—Maintenance Committee Meeting—6 p.m.
Parish Council Meeting—7:00 p.m.

Wed—Jan 22—Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m. CCD Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

EVENTS



# Please Pray for . . .

Jim Kunz + Beckett Block Lois Schaaf + Kirstine Chvala

Lord Jesus
may Your light shine on our way,
as once it guided the steps of the Magi:
that we too may be led into Your presence
and worship You,
the Child of Mary,
Mother of God,

the Word of the Father, the King of nations, the Saviour of mankind; in union with Your heavenly Father

n union with Your heavenly Fath and the Holy Spirit, You are One God

forever and ever, amen. Anastraul

## **CCD News & Notes**

Jan 8

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

Jan 15

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

Ladies Guild-January 23 @ 2:00 p.m.



## Knights of Columbus

Jan 6—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

# 4th Degree Knights of Columbus

Jan 13—4th Degree Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.—O'Neill

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

	Saturday—January 11	Saturday—January 18
	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
LECTOR:	Justin Estill	John Madsen
EMHC:	Jameson Estill	Sharon Paxton
SERVERS:	Kole Estill Alexis Lange	Karlee Wolf Jase Wolf
USHERS:	Don Schmaderer—Dan Malone Robert Hanzlik—Mike Stracke	Don Schmaderer—Dan Malone Robert Hanzlik—Mike Stracke
GREETERS/GIFTS:	Bob & Kathy Kunz	John & Erica Tubbs Family
MONEY COUNTERS	: Dan & Donna Malone	Dan & Donna Malone
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ST. MARY'S ART DEPARTMENT—is collecting plastic bottle caps of all shapes, colors and sizes for an upcoming project. Please save yours and drop off at the parish office and we will get them to O'Neill. Thank you in advance.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CATHOLIC GIRLS—Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (OACCW) is accepting applications for their \$750 SCHOLARSHIP. Get the 2025 Scholarship Packet from your school Guidance Counselor today! The completed scholarship application must be postmarked or received by your parish's Deanery President by January 15, 2025.

BLOOD DRIVE—JANUARY 8, 2025—10:00 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. at the Stuart Auditorium. Appointments encouraged. See flyer in the entrance of the church for more information.



KC FREE THROW CONTEST—FEBRUARY 2, 2025—Stuart High School—More information to come.

THANK YOU—Thanks to the many hands that helped make the church the beautiful place that it is for the Christmas season. Your dedication and talent in decorating is very much appreciated. Also, thanks to all that donated the poinsettias to help bring beauty and color to the altar.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP—"The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke was first published in 1895. It tells the fictional story of Artaban, a fourth wise man who began a journey to visit Jesus, the newborn King. Unlike his fellow Magi, he failed to make it there for the birth of Jesus because he kept pausing to help various people in need. In fact, it took him about 33 years of searching before his quest comes to an abrupt end when he is hit in the head with a falling roof shingle. His final breath takes place in Jerusalem near the place where Jesus is being crucified. As he lies dying, he hears the voice of Jesus telling him that the gifts he has given all along the way to "the least of these" he has actually given to Jesus himself.

If you have never read this story or seen the made-for-television movie based on the tale, you really should seek it out. It is a story that reminds us of a profound truth: Jesus himself rests in the lives of all those around us in need. In the story, it was the wise man's constant response to a stewardship call that prevented him from getting where he wanted to go. In the end, where he needed to go was more significant than where he thought he should go.

If we live lives of generosity and graciousness, we may find ourselves on constant detours from the road on which we are traveling. It is in the detours and the unexpected circumstances of our journey that oftentimes we find our true purpose in life. We think God is somewhere we must travel to, when in reality, God is closer than we think in the least likely of places. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK ...

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

A favorite children's game is hide-and-seek. There is a certain thrill to thinking that one can become momentarily invisible to the seeker. Then come the peals of delight and surprise when the hiding place is discovered and once again one's whereabouts are clearly known. This weekend's feast of the Epiphany of the Lord centers on the hiddenness of God's plan having been revealed to all, without discrimination. For Jew and Gentile alike, God's love bursts forth like a light that pierces the darkness, like a child's squeals of delight when found. There is no hiding from the wondrous gift as it reaches to the ends of the earth.

There is a tradition in Latin America and in Hispanic communities in the United States that on El Dia de los Reyes, "the Day of the Kings," a small baby Jesus is hidden in a cake baked especially for the feast day. Their figurine is nestled in the batter, signifying the efforts to hide the child Jesus from the evil intentions of King Herod. As the cake is cut the slicing knife represents the danger posed to the infant Jesus by the cruel king.

In some places the tradition is that whoever gets the piece of cake with the figurine is obliged to host the next family gathering on February 2<sup>nd,</sup> the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. In other places, the one who finds the baby Jesus in his or her portion receives an array of gifts from those present. These traditions make tangible both the inherent danger in the revelation of Christ and the excitement of the hidden designs of God become manifest.

In this weekend's gospel (Matt 2:1-12), the danger is most palpable as the exotic visitors from the East wisely discern the true king who has been revealed, in contrast to Rome's puppet king, who wants to engage in a sinister version of hide-and-seek. Herod tries to get the magi to "search diligently for the child" and then bring Herod word when they find him. But the plan is foiled when a divine warning in a dream directs the magi to return to their country by another way.

These visitors from an unknown land also cause us to reflect on the gifts that come to us in hidden ways from those we regard as strangers. Their odd dress, different colored skin, and unintelligible tongue immediately put us on guard. Those who are different are often a source of fear for us, but in this weekend's gospel, they are friends, co heirs to the promise, and the first to recognize the hidden plans of God. In this weekend's gospel narrative, these extraordinary visitors appear only briefly. Would we welcome such strangers to reveal the hidden Holy One in our midst if they were to stay?

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman Pastor

#### ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

\$6,585.44 of \$8,604.44 committed as of Dec. 31st

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

