

**Monday February 6**

6:40 AM Hazel Rupp †
8:00 AM Jerry Gandara †

Tuesday February 7

6:40 AM Charles & Bernice Santo †
8:00 AM Jerry Gandara †

Wednesday February 8

6:40 AM Don Friend †
8:00 AM Jim & Jenny Score

Thursday February 9

6:40 AM Gerald & Eleanora Buettner †
8:00 AM Dale & Joyce Loutsch

Friday February 10

6:40 AM Cpl. Franklin & Cpl. Charles
8:00 AM Bill Parish, Sr.

Saturday February 11

9:00 AM Gen Wilson †

Weekend Masses**Saturday February 11**

6:00 PM Magdalene Eastburn †

Sunday February 12

7:00 AM Mike Haller
8:00 AM Jim Rademacker †
9:30 AM Bertha Bauman-Weyand †
11:00 AM Our Parish Family

School News**February 16 Martyrs Night Out**

5:00-8:00 pm—Raising Canes
No SCRIP, please. Tell cashier
that you are from Martyrs.

CCD News

February 8 Priests visit classrooms

Sunday School Musical Performance on

Sunday, February 12th after the 9:30 am
Mass in the Parish Hall. Parents, please
plan to go straight through the doors by
the preschool classroom into the Parish
Hall for a short performance.

With Sympathy—North American Mar-
tyrs Parish Family extends our prayers and
our sympathy to the family of Pauline
Davidson. Pauline passed away on January
31st and her funeral is Monday. *May she
know the peace and joy of eternal life.*

Baptism: Born to a new life in Christ
and joined to our faith community through
the water of Baptism we welcome: **Cade
Parker, son of Carl & Dawn
Steffen.** We wish the Steffen
family God's many blessings!

**Parish Calendar**

CATHOLICISM DVD SERIES continues today, **Sunday, February 5th** at 2:00 pm
in the 8th grade classroom. The same episode (4) will also be shown on **Wednesday,
February 8th** in the Parish Hall at 6:00 pm. We welcome you!

EXPOSITION & CONFESSION is **Sunday, February 5th** at 7:00 pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY meets on **Wed., February 8th** at 6:00 pm.

RCIA will meet on **Thursday, February 9th** at 7:00 pm. Topic: Justification & Merit.

Bishop Bruskewitz has urged us to contact our elected representatives and insist on the passage of the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act. It is important that you know that Nebraska's entire Congressional delegation supports this Act. In fact, Congressman Jeff Fortenberry introduced this Act (H.R. 1179) in the House of Representatives and Congressmen Lee Terry and Adrian Smith co-sponsored it. In addition, both of our senators, Mike Johanns and Ben Nelson, have co-sponsored the Senate version (S. 1467). Therefore, although we don't need to urge them to support this bill, it is still important that we contact them with this message: *"Thank you for co-sponsoring the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (H.R. 1179 or S.1467 for senators). Please do everything possible to help get this critical legislation enacted."* Those contacting Congressman Fortenberry can thank him for "introducing" the Act. The names and contact information for our Congressional delegation is available on the Nebraska Catholic Conference website at:

<http://www.nebcathcon.org/Government%20contacts.htm>.

Old Blessed Palms: For your convenience a box is available at the Parish Information Center to place old blessed palms. You may also burn your palms yourself to dispose of them.

Concert: Martyrs Youth Ministry hosts and Spirit Catholic Radio Network presents **Donna Cori Gibson's The Way of the Cross Concert on Monday, March 12th;** 7:00 pm at North American Martyrs Church. Tickets are \$5 and can be reserved/purchased in the Parish Office, Spirit Catholic Radio Office in Lincoln, or at Gloria Deo Catholic bookstore in the Alamo Center in Lincoln.



Altar Society Sweetheart Bake Sale will be on **February 11th and 12th,** after all Masses. *All parishioners* are invited to bake or bring treats to support our church. Please bring your 'sweetheart' treats to church on Saturday, February 11th between 5-7:00 pm or before any Masses on Sunday. Proceeds will be used to finance the First Communion and Confirmation receptions and also new books for the Parish Library. NOTE: No creamed items, please. Thank you for your support!

The **Marriage Enrichment Team** is sponsoring a '**Date Night**' on **Saturday, February 11th** from 5:45-10 pm. Couples are asked to stop by the Narthex to pick up a date night handout to use as a topic of conversation. Those couples that participate will be entered in a drawing for a \$25 Scrip Certificate. For couples with small children, babysitting will be provided in the Preschool Room. *Please RSVP* by Thursday, February 9th to Blaine and Gail Johs (402-438-6684 or bgjohs@inebraska.com) *if you need babysitting.*

Lenten Holy Hours: We will be having the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel during Lent. This will be 24 hours a day ...7 days a week. Please consider taking a Holy Hour. Hours will remain the same for those parishioners that currently have an hour. Sign up sheets will be available after all the Masses for the next two weekends. If you have questions please call Elmer or Jane Wemhoff at 402-477-4736.



Rekindle the Flame Retreat: Please plan to attend the Light of the World Rekindle the Flame Retreat to be held on **Sunday, February 26th** from Noon to 6:00 pm. Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm. All past participants of SINE/Light of the World Retreats are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Come join us and prepare to "spark!" the renewal of your Catholic faith. Please register by contacting Janet Bartek, 402-580-2645, janetbartek@gmail.com or Pat Schied, 402-438-0380, pschied@mac.com by *Wednesday, February 22nd.*

STEWARDSHIP RECEIVED LAST WEEK: *Thank you!*

240 envelopes were used on 01-29-12 (and 197 e-tithing)

Adult Tithe	\$ 10,155
Adult E-Tithe-weekly average.....	\$ 5,885
Plate	\$ 742
Youth	\$ 129
Total Tithe Received.....	\$ 16,911

Average amount needed for weekly budget - \$20,500
(This amount represents what is needed for the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget.)

Budget Report to Date: Fiscal Year Jul 1, 2011 - Jun 30, 2012

Received to date: July 1 - Jan. 29.....	\$ 592,573
Needed to date for annual budget	\$ 615,000
Annual budget shortage to date.....	(\$ 22,427)

Building Fund Campaign January Report

(To finance our new Church and Parish Hall)

BOS Envelopes and plate.....	\$ 12,054
BOS E-Tithe.....	\$ 9,997
Recycling.....	\$ 19
Pius X Campaign.....	\$ 15,218
Total.....	\$ 37,288

Amount Applied to Debt.....	\$ 37,500
Debt as of January 31, 2012.....	\$ 77,500

SCRIP

Our weekly sales totaled **\$14,920** making our profit **\$531** with 104 families using SCRIP. We have accumulated **\$3,104** profit.

Scrip workers for the February 11-12 weekend:

6:00 PM Patzel/Dudek	7:00 AM Gonzales/Wemhoff
8:00 AM M & M Peters	9:30 AM R & D Meirose
11:00 AM Meyerle/Shively	

Catholic Press collection will be taken up this weekend, **February 4th & 5th**. The suggested gift for the Southern Nebraska Register is \$15. Extra envelopes are available at the Parish Information Center. Thank you for your support.

Souper Bowl of Caring 2012 is **February 5th**. We will join churches all across the country to collect money for the hungry and homeless. The funds we collect will benefit **Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach** in Lincoln. Donations may also be sent to the Parish Office.

Lay Ministry for February 11-12

	Acolyte	Reader	Server	Greeter
6:00 PM	Terrell Regnier	Ruterbories	Hatch, Castillo Recker Wroblewski	Edwin Benes Family
7:00 AM	Ruskamp Drehs	J. Bode	Ngoyi, Hagge Ruach V. Nguyen	
8:00 AM	Tom Benes Baum	Gentrup	Schneider Mangels, Guerra Ackermann	Kevin Bousquet Family
9:30 AM	D. Schlautman Korus James Benes	Sr. Barbara Kowalkowski	Lau, Petrie C/C Schlautman	Mick Kovar Family
11:00 AM	McMichen Kozakiewicz Nelson	Becker	Eastman, Bernadt Cederberg Hampton	Gary Burress Family

VOLUNTEERS OF THE WEEK

Special thanks to **Don and Fran Potter**, our Pro Life Representatives, for organizing, setting up and delivering another very successful Epiphany Baby Shower. Thank you to all who generously contributed. *God bless you!*



Prayer Requests

We pray with special love and concern for all those who are ill, asking the Lord for his consoling grace to strengthen the sick in times of trial: **Jacob Aldridge, Gary Aerts, Matt Anderson, David Bauer, Roger Chapp, Cpl. Charles, Bella Cox, Ray Douglas, Ashlynn Flynn, Cpl. Franklin, Diane Herms, Mary Huwaldt, Andy & Lucille Incontro, Clint Lochner, Charles & Mary Lou Martin, Dan McCoy, Matthew McKelvy, Brian Nelson, Joyce Niedbalski, Abby Parish, Will Parish, Jr., Ellen Ravis, Ray Ruskamp, Betty Sedlak, Ron Stewart, Yukiko Tomita and Madison Wemhoff.**
Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months unless notified.

Financial Group Study: This Lent, the NAM Stewardship Committee is sponsoring **7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free:** A Catholic Small Group Study, created by Phil Lenahan from Veritas Financial Ministries. All are invited to this faith-based personal money management small group study. Information to be covered includes: What is true financial freedom, how to eliminate or avoid consumer debt, how to easily organize a realistic and faith-based saving and spending plan for the future and how you can strengthen your marriage and family life. This is NOT an investment sales pitch nor will you be solicited for investments. You do NOT share any information about your income, investments or expenses. This class presents ideas and tools to help you manage your finances. The meetings are **Tuesday evenings** from 7-9:00 pm; **February 21-April 10**. Cost is \$50/couple, \$35/single. Please call the Parish Office at 402-476-8088 to *register by February 13th*.

Knights to Hold Fish Fries During Lent

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Fish Fry each Friday during Lent, *beginning February 24th*. The all-you-can-eat meal will be served from 4:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The meals will be \$7.50 for ages 12 and up and \$5 for ages 2-11, with a maximum of \$25 per immediate family. Desserts will be sold by the Altar Society. The menu will be: baked tilapia, fried pollack, french fries, cole slaw, spaghetti with meatless sauce, macaroni and cheese, bread, coffee, iced tea and lemonade.

AREA EVENTS

Natural Family Planning Creighton Model, 2012 Introductory Session: **February 6, February 16, February 28** at 7 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please call 402-488-2040.

Divorced, separated and widowed Catholics are invited to a special Mass on **Monday, February 13th** at Blessed John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Confessions: 7 pm; Mass: 7:30 pm. The presentation will be "The Many Facets of Love".

The St. Charles Court of the Catholic Daughters will meet **Tuesday, February 14**, at 2 pm at the KC Hall, 60th & South Streets. Sr. Bernadette will be the speaker. Sister is one of the Marian Sisters that helps the women living at Gianna's Home for Women. Catholic Daughters in Lincoln is one organization across all parishes. We welcome new members. Please contact Mary Anne Classen 402-476-9781 if you would like to be a guest for this or future meetings.