St. Stephen the Martyr
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Encounter, Know, Proclaim

August 29, 2021

Pray & Worship

Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Friday at 6:30 AM & 8:15 AM*; Saturday at 8:15 AM*

Weekend: Saturday at 5:00 PM; Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM*, 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

**These Masses will be live-streamed on our Facebook Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/StStephensCatholicChurchOmaha) and our website (stephen.org/live-stream)*

Private Prayer

Daily Mass Chapel and Worship Space are open from 9 AM to 9 PM Monday-Friday and from 10:00 AM to 6 PM on Saturday-Sunday. The Adoration Chapel is open 24/7; door access code: 9675*

Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hours

⇒ Sundays with Solemn Vespers from 4 to 5 PM
⇒ First Friday of the Month from 9 AM to Noon

No sign up required. Come as you are to spend time with Jesus. In the Worship Space or Facebook Live.

Contact Us

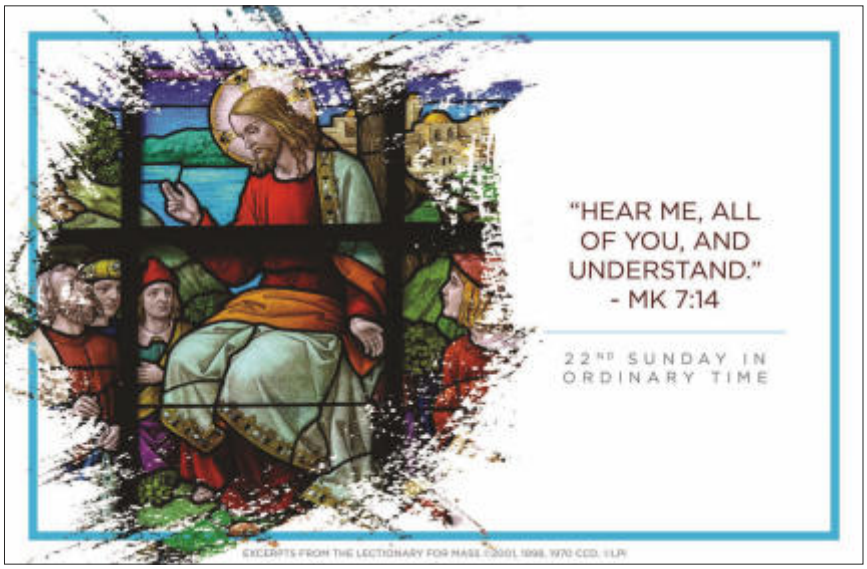
Parish Office:
Phone: 402-896-9675
Emergency: 402-896-9675 ext 2
Office Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, M-F

Pastor: Fr. David Belt

Associate Pastor: Fr. Ben Boyd

Staff Contact Info: stephen.org/staff

Bulletin Deadline:
Submit requests to a.hartwig@stephen.org.



Pastor's Message—From Father Dave

"Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves."

In the Letter of St. James, we hear that we must be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. He also says that those who THINK they are religious, but fail to speak with kindness and compassion, have a "worthless" religion. If all we do is listen to the Word of God, without putting it into action, then we are not faithful servants of the Lord. If we speak to others and about others with anger and contempt, we are obstacles to God's will taking root in the world. St. James concludes this section of his letter by saying that the religion that is "pure and undefiled" before God is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress. It is only in living the Word that we find salvation.

Authentic faith does not simply change what we think or believe; it changes how we live day by day. Whether it be in our homes, parish, community, or world, St. James encourages us to do more than simply pray or hope that those who are in need find satisfaction and comfort. It is very clear that we must act.

Are you a person of authentic faith? Are you living your faith every day, taking care of the needs of others? Praying for others is an important first step. We must also be willing to make sacrifices for others, caring for those who are disadvantaged, poor, ill, lonely, grieving, or pushed to the fringes of our society. This is the religion that is "pure and undefiled" before God, our heavenly Father.

"It would be considered a theft on our part if we didn't give to someone in greater need than we are." – Saint Francis of Assisi

May God bless you!
Father Dave

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock." - *Rev 3:20*

Jesus Christ invites each of us into a more perfect union with Him. All we must do is allow His grace to transform us.

- Are you a Catholic needing First Communion or Confirmation?
- Are you seeking Baptism or full communion with the Catholic Church?

The ***Becoming Catholic!*** program at St. Stephen the Martyr will help you deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ through a more intimate knowledge of His Church and Holy Scripture.

For more information, please contact Scott and Julie Tylski at tylskisj@cox.net, (402) 861-2209; or Adam Ybarra at a.ybarra@stephen.org, (402) 861-4507.

Are you ready to open the door?

St. Stephen the Martyr CATHOLIC CHURCH

Congratulations Newly Baptized!

Amelia Marie Patrick, daughter of Michael and Anna
Hana Charlotte Ketcham, daughter of Kyle and Laurel
Laurel Jane Hinrichs, daughter of Christopher and Rebecca
Brennan Richard Durrett, son of Robert and Carolyn
Zoey Rae Adams, daughter of Zachary and Danielle

Sacraments

Reconciliation
Tuesday: 5:30-6:30 PM & Saturday: 3:30-4:45 PM

Baptism
Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays. Parents are required to attend a preparation class. Contact the parish office for information or visit: stephen.org/baptism-class.

Matrimony
Preparation for Marriage begins at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Contact parish office for more information.

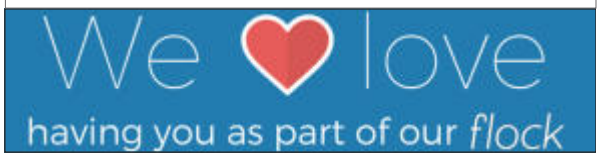
Anointing of the Sick
Contact Deacon Denny at (402) 861-4538 or d.dethlefs@stephen.org.

Homebound Eucharist
Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Church office phone number: (402) 896-9675

Stay in Communication with Us!

Our primary communication tool is email using Flocknote. If you are not receiving our emails please follow the steps at **stephen.org/flocknote** or call the parish office to give us your email.



Financial Stewardship

Offertory & Online Giving 8/17-8/23/2021:

Actual:	$46,429
Budget:	$48,924
FYTD Actual:	$378,628
FYTD Budget:	$377,419

St. Stephen the Martyr operates on a Fiscal Year from July 1—June 30

Thank you! Your financial support is vital to the well-being of our church and school!

To make an offertory or other financial gift using Online Giving, simply scan the QR code or go to stephen.org/give.

Offertory envelopes may also be mailed to our office: 16701 S Street, Omaha NE 68135.

Sacrament Preparation News

A parent information meeting will be held on Monday, August 30th at 7 PM in the Dining Room. If you have not been receiving e-mail communications, please contact Laura at l.bogue@stephen.org or at 402-861-4509.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

School News

United in Christ to ignite the joy of faith, community, and learning.

⇒ **At SSM, We PRAY Every Day** — This year, as a continuation of our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) implementation in school, we are focusing on four areas for behavior expectations throughout our building, in Mass and at recess. Students can remember these four expectations using the acronym, PRAY:

P - Practice Safety
R - Respect God, Self, and Others
A - Act with Kindness
Y - Yes, to Responsibility

Parents and prospective families can learn more about PBIS at: school.stephen.org/PRAY.

⇒ **Ignite the Flame for Reading!** — Join the SSM Flames Book Cub! The NEW SSM Flames Book Club is designed to give your child (Grades 3-8) a new reading experience outside of school. Reading & discussion peer groups will be led by parents. Deadline to register is September 10th. Learn more & register at: school.stephen.org/bookclub.

⇒ **Save the Date: Curriculum Night, Sept. 9th** — This event informs parents of the curriculum that is used and covered in our classrooms. We will have tips on how you can support your student's learning at home. Our teachers are also available to answer any questions you may have. Students do not attend curriculum night - just parents. This year's event may be virtual as done last year – more details to come soon!

⇒ **We are hiring kitchen staff members!** — Great for parents who would like the same work schedule as their students school schedule or just anyone who wants these great hours! Working hours are full school days 9 AM to 2 PM. Experience not necessary, but would be helpful. If interested or for more information, please reach out to Missy Ziola, Kitchen Manager at m.ziola@stephen.org or 402-861-4520.

Religious Education News

⇒ **First Days of RE Classes — Welcome back students!** The first night of RE classes is August 31st / September 1st and a parents meeting will be held in the Parish Center.

⇒ **New Preschool Program —** we are excited to now offer *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* as part of our Religious Education programming for preschool-aged children of our parish, where children and catechists together nurture their relationship with Jesus. Classes begin August 31st / September 1 and are held on Tuesdays at 5:30-6:30 PM or Wednesday at 5:30-6:30 PM. For registration form and more info visit: stephen.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd

⇒ **Catechists Needed —** Thank you to those who responded to our call for catechists. We appreciate you stepping forward! We still need more! All the lessons are planned and materials are provided. Interested or have questions? Contact Eileen Smith, RE Administrative Assistant, at (402) 896-5683 or e.smith @stephen.org or Chelsey Young, RE Director at c.young@stephen.org or (402) 861-4512. More info at stephen.org.

Youth Ministry News

⇒ **Youth Ministry Kick-Off Parties** — Wake up, Tweens and Teens! A new year of youth ministry is upon us, so get ready for "Breakfast: The Most Important Meal of the Day!" That's right, Friends. This year's kick-off will be a breakfast-themed party! Wear your pajamas, enjoy breakfast for dinner, partake in some eggciting party games and waffle through some sticky challenges.

- Life Teen (High School) — Sun. Sept. 12: 7-9 PM in GPC
- Edge (Middle School) — Tue. Sept. 14: 6:30-8 PM in SSM Dining Room

There is no cost to attend our weekly gatherings. Dinner is included. Come when and as often as you can! Annual parent waiver is required. Complete today at: www.smartwaiver.com/v/ssmym2021

For more information contact Laura Bogue, Youth Ministry Director, at l.bogue@stephen or (402) 861-4509.

Adult Bible & Book Studies

Fall Adult Faith Formation and Bible Studies are forming! Here are ones to consider! If you are hosting a study or have an interest, please reach out to Adam Ybarra, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis at 402-861-4507 or a.ybarra@stephen.org.

Women's Bible Study - 2nd Saturday Mornings
Join other women of St. Stephen the Martyr parish to study Kevin Perrotta's: John 1-10 - I Am the Bread of Life.

⇒ When: 2nd Saturday of each month from 8 -10 AM, beginning October 9
⇒ Where: Parish Center
⇒ Register: call Janice Dethlefs at 402-651-0153

Acts of the Apostles and Pauline Letters—Tuesdays Mornings
Begins with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. The study of the Acts of the Apostles helps us understand the four marks of the one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. St. Paul of Tarsus was one the most influential letter-writers of all time. Learn how his missionary travels in Acts are linked to ten of his apostolic letters. This study demonstrates the recapitulation of Jesus Christ in the life of the Apostles and ultimately in the life of the Church.

⇒ When: Tuesday from 9:15 to 10:45 AM, beginning September 7
⇒ Where: Parish Center
⇒ Format: Read together, answer questions (that will be supplied to everyone ahead of class time), and watch the Seeking Truth Sharon Doran lecture
⇒ Register: email Diane Burton at burdi561@gmail.com

The Complete Sayings of Jesus—Wednesday Mornings
Join us to study exactly what Jesus said, to whom did He say it, where He was when He said it, what was their reaction, and what was the context. Like the Jefferson Bible, this is an attempt to edit the four gospels into a consistent account, in this case focusing on the words of Jesus. There is plenty of connecting narrative around the instances where Jesus speaks, so this is better than simply presenting each quote out of context. The focus on what Jesus is attributed as saying makes it easier to browse the core texts of the New Testament. All in all, a very useful reference, and a great read. (Quote from sacred-texts.com)

⇒ When: Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:30 AM, beginning October 13
⇒ Where: Parish Center
⇒ Format: Present the material in chronological order of our Savior's making the statements. Presenters include Deacon Marty Warwick, Donna Garrett, and Cindy Bazis. The book is available on Amazon or free as a PDF on the internet.
⇒ Register: email Deacon Marty at mwarwick3@cox.net

Knights of Columbus Rosary Devotions

The Knights of Columbus invite you to upcoming opportunities to pray the Rosary together as a community before the 8:15 AM Mass in the Worship Space.

⇒ First Wednesday Devotional to St Joseph — Sept 1st at 7:45 AM
⇒ First Saturday Devotion to Mother Mary — Sept 5th at 7:45 AM

Feeling Anxious? Looking for Peace?

To quote Fr. Belt from a recent Pastor's Message: "Discipleship is not about giving unending burdens and responsibilities to a person. We all need time in our lives to step away from our work and activities to get some rest and be with God."
Take that much needed time and join us for Eucharistic Adoration:

⇒ **Adoration & Vespers** from 4 to 5 PM in the main worship space every Sunday
⇒ **First Friday Adoration** begins immediately following the 8:15 AM Mass and concludes with Benediction. Come any time from 9 AM to 12 PM on Friday September 3rd. You won't regret it!

PrimeTimers Fellowship

Cards & Games every second and fourth Thursday at 1 PM in the Parish Center.

⇒ September 9th

Save the date for "Hats Off To Fall" dinner & social on Thursday, Oct. 21.

This Men's and Women's group (age 55+) gathers for fun social events, special projects, and support. No dues or commitment. More information at stephen.org/primetimers.

Needed: Host Families

This year we are excited to bring in a team of NET Missionaries to lead our Confirmation candidates in a special retreat to help prepare them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Host Families are needed to welcome anywhere from 2-7 missionaries into their home and provide them with a safe place to sleep (no bedrooms required; missionaries are used to sleeping in their sleeping bags) and family meals. Missionaries will arrive on Friday, September 17th and will leave the morning of Tuesday, September 21st. For more information on what it means to be a Host Family, visit https://netusa.org/host-home-ministry/. If Interested in being a Host Family, please contact Laura at l.bogue@stephen.org or at 402-861-4509.

Receiving Holy Communion

If you would like to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, please go to either Fr. Dave's or Fr. Boyd's line and wait for the end of the line.

Children's Choir

The Children's Choir is starting up again for the 2021-22 school year! If you have an interested student from K-8th grade who would like to sing with us, please contact Linda at Liesner_linda@hotmail.com or Paula at p.bonkiewicz@stephen.org
The Children's Choir will practice every other Thursday night beginning on September 30th in the church from 6 to 6:45 PM. Hope to see you there!

Hiring Custodian

St. Stephen the Martyr has an immediate opening for a full-time custodian responsible for light maintenance and cleaning duties such as floor care, sanitization, trash removal, room set-up, etc. The preferred applicant will have previous custodial experience in a school environment and be willing to work a Noon to 8pm, Monday -to- Friday shift. This position offers a competitive wage, health, dental, vacation and other benefits. For more information, please contact Dan Koenig, Director of Operations at d.koenig@stephen.org.

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Online Giving Upgrades!

St. Stephen the Martyr is in the process of upgrading and updating our online giving software to a newer, more user-friendly platform! If you currently use our online giving platform you will soon be receiving an email with information and instructions on how best utilize the many new features of this software update. During this update, no changes will be made to your account. Some of the benefits of this update include:

- Easier navigation
- Upgraded mobile friendly features
- Increased security
- New fund management options
- More user reports such as year-end tax statements, etc.

We are excited about this update, and we will continue to provide more information as the process continues. Please watch for future emails with more information in the weeks ahead. If you have any questions, please contact Catiana Urrutia at 402-861-4541.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Gather, pray and make Prayer Shawls/Blankets to be given to persons experiencing a crisis in their life. The group meets the second Wednesday of each month from 9:15 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. Join us for our next gathering on September 8th. Questions? Contact: Jan Mitchell at (402) 895-3215.

Special Thanks!

A BIG THANKS to the many generous parishioners who helped prepare our buildings and grounds during summer break! The phrase "Time, Talent and Treasure" is clearly active and visible here at St. Stephen and we are blessed to have many passionate volunteers willing to step in with their donated labor, expertise, and financial resources. We are humbled by how much these volunteers love and care for our parish... and it's our hope they continue to be an inspiration and role model for us all!

Not yet a Parishioner?

Register as a Parishioner on our website **stephen.org**. Click on "Become a Parishioner" in the footer or call the Parish office for more information. For more information about how we can support you in your faith journey, contact Adam Ybarra, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis at 402-861-4507 or a.ybarra@stephen.org.

Liturgical Volunteers Needed!

Every liturgical celebration is an action of Christ the High Priest and of his Mystical Body, which is the Church. It therefore requires the participation of the People of God in the work of God. Get involved in this "service in worship"! **We are in need of volunteers to step up as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers and Greeters.** If you are interested in one or more of these opportunities to serve the parish community, please contact Logan Hepp at l.hepp@stephen.org.

Legacy Planning

Don't cancel life insurance you no longer need! Consider instructing your life insurance agent to include St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church as a primary or secondary beneficiary on your policy. It costs nothing to change the beneficiary on you policy, and will mean everything to our future parish community. Contact your life insurance agent to do so. You may also direct questions to our Development Team: Catiana Urrutia at 402-861-4541 or c.urrutia@stephen.org / Dan Koenig at 402-861-4534 d.koenig@stephen.org.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday:	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Friday:	St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	BVM
Next Sunday:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are "doing" everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 28
8:15 am † Cynthia Jones (BB)
5:00 pm † Judy Bosiljevac (Hunke)

Sunday, August 29
7:30 am † Jim Brazda (BB)
9:00 am † Ferm Scigo (BB)
10:30 am SI St. Stephen parishioners (DB)
6:00 pm † Richard E. Delaney (Hanneman)

Monday, August 30
6:30 am SI Poor souls in purgatory (BB)
8:15 am † Suzie Mollner (BB)

Tuesday, August 31
6:30 am † Ben R. Homan (DB)
8:15 am † Charles & Isabele Feld (BB)

Wednesday, September 1
6:30 am † Hary Korus (BB)
8:15 am † Cynthia Jones (BB)

Thursday, September 2
6:30 am *Communion Service* (Dcn Jerry)
8:15 am *Communion Service* (Dcn Jerry)

Friday, September 3
6:30 am † Mike Nannen (BB)
8:15 am † Eldred Keane (BB)

Saturday, September 4
8:15 am † Cynthia Jones (BB)
5:00 pm † George Isaac Gervase (DB)

Sunday, September 5
7:30 am † Jim Brazda (BB)
9:00 am SI St. Stephen parishioners (DB)
10:30 am † Bob Menard (BB)
6:00 pm † Nancy McMahon (Hanneman)

SI = Special Intention † = Repose of the Soul
DB=Fr.Dave Belt; BB=Fr.Ben Boyd ; Hanneman=Fr.Dennis Hanneman; Hunke=Fr.Norman Hunke
Note: Priest schedule subject to changes

Pray For...

Parishioners who are sick/injured/healing:
Pete & Judy Bartman, parents of Trinette Shamburg
Diane Hayes, sister of Sue Klopp
John Klopp, husband of Sue Klopp
Emmett Hassenstab
Cate Durrett, daughter of Rob and Carolyn
Susan Garro, wife of Greg
Frank Kankousky, husband of Patti
Stephen Reestman, brother of Pam Roberts
Gerry Moseke, husband of Florence
Molly Felker, daughter of Stacy and Mike

Deceased members of our parish family:
Patty Hammond

How Can We Pray for YOU?

You are not alone! St. Stephen the Martyr has prayer warriors who are ready to pray for YOUR intention! God has given us this incredible gift to intercede on behalf of others through prayer and thanksgiving! Submit your prayer request to be shared with our Prayer Line Ministry and/or with our Parish Family at: stephen.org/prayer-line or call Beth Wetgen at (402) 669-4793.

OMAHA COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN CONVENTION
OACCW 97th Convention on Monday, September 27, 2021 at Divot's Conference Center in Norfolk, NE, 4200 West Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, NE 68701. Pre-registration ONLY of $25.00 payable to RNW Deanery due September 20th, 2021, mail to Ann Kurpgeweit, 50444 852 Rd. Ewing, NE 68735. For more information call Karen Funk 402-626 -7611. The theme: "St. Joseph, Teach Us to Trust" with guest speaker Sharon Doran Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with 8:00 a.m. Rosary followed by Convention at 9:00 a.m.

THE 44TH ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER FOR EDUCATION will be held Thursday, September 23, 2021 at CHI Health Center. This event provides an opportunity for us to gather and recognize the dedication of our Catholic school educators, to thank those who support our schools and to raise funds to provide needs-based scholarships to help students attend a Catholic school of their choice.

We have an increased goal this year, as we have added a high school tuition assistance initiative. More than 40% of our elementary students receiving aid are unable to go on and attend a Catholic High School due to the financial barriers associated with the cost of a high school education. We are committed to supporting these students as they go into high school. We hope you will join us at the Archbishop's Dinner for Education on September 23rd to celebrate our Catholic schools and recognize the commitment and achievement of our Catholic school educators and administrators.

For information on how to get involved and to view the live event visit http://archomaha.org/dinnerforeducation.

This year's honorees include:

- Administrators of the Year: Maureen Hoy, Mary Our Queen School, Omaha
- Dan Koenig, Archbishop Bergan Catholic School, Fremont
- Educators of the Year—Elementary: Tammy Mateljan, St. Cecilia School, Omaha; Joyce Ortmeier, Guardian Angels Central Catholic School, West Point; Secondary: John Roshone, Mt. Michael Benedictine School, Elkhorn; Joan Lahm, Scotus Central Catholic High School, Columbus; Special Education and Under-Served (Funded by the Maginn Family Foundation): Mary Davis, Ss. Peter and Paul School, Omaha; Darian Stout, Madonna School, Omaha

Stewardship Reflection:

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only..." JAMES 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

News from the Community:

ST. THOMAS MORE PEDDLERS' MARKET.
It's back on! Calling all Vendors and hand crafters for the STM Peddlers' Market. This event is always a fun way to shop and support local businesses. We usually have 300-400 shoppers and can host up to 83 tables with two levels of shopping. The St. Thomas More Peddlers' Market will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 1. If interested, please register on the Eventbrite site: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-thomas-more-peddlers-market-tickets-157268100121?aff=ebdssbdestsearch I'd be happy to assist with questions or the registration process. Please contact Sara McCandless at 402.981.9941 or email at stmpeddlersmarket@gmail.com.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH
We are looking to hire a part-time custodian to join our team at St. Charles. The job entails regular cleaning of the facilities and setting up and tearing down for weekly events. Monday through Friday (mornings) Approximately 25 hours per week Occasional weekend/evening for special events Contact the parish office to apply at parish@scbccomaha.org or call 402-916-9730. (St. Stephen is also hiring a full-time custodian—visit stephen.org/careers for details.)

MAGNIFICAT-OMAHA FALL BRUNCH
All women are invited to the *Magnificat-Omaha Fall Brunch on Saturday, September 18, 9:30 AM - 1 PM at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church. Kendra Von Esh, radio host, podcaster, and author of Am I Catholic? will be the guest speaker. Also please come to the Joy and Prayer Workshop with Kendra and Karen Dwyer on September 17, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM - discover how to awaken joy and create a joy-filled prayer life. For Reservations, go to MagnificatOmaha.org. **Magnificat-Omaha is an archdiocesan-wide Catholic women's organization focused on evangelization.*

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS AT ST. ROBERTS
Save the date! Catholic Daughters at St. Roberts will be hosting Cards, Games & Lunch on September 28th from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. More info coming soon; and we hope you can join the fun!

BACK 2 WORK:

⇒ A local company has job openings for welders, machine operators (saw, press brake, CNC machines) and general labor (assemblers, helpers, and drivers). They are also interested in anyone out of high school wanting to learn a trade. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Deacon Denny / 402-861-4538 or d.dethlefs@stephen.org.

⇒ Raising Canes is hiring part-time and full-time crewmembers. Text RCJOBS to 97211 or visit workatcanes.com to apply.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE POSITION AVAILABLE
St. Vincent de Paul School is accepting applications for part-time After School Care employees. The position follows the school calendar from August-May. Hours will be 3:00-6:00. Applicants must be at least 19 years old. Please contact Mrs. Diane Warneke at warneked@svdpomaha.org. Please visit our school website to fill out an online application www.svdp-school.org. (St. Stephen is also hiring afterschool care positions for our Kidzone Program—visit stephen.org/careers for details.)

RETREATS AT ST. BENEDICT CENTER
Beautifully Broken, September 11 – 12, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Tonya Labenz, Mary Guynan and Brianna Rerucha. As we journey through our lives, there are obstacles that we may have chosen, may have been put upon us or may have captured us and taken us away from who we were created to be. When we look in the mirror, we see not the beautiful daughter of God, but only that which has become broken within us. Come to this retreat for women of all ages where we will bring our brokenness to Christ and allow Him to fill us with his love and healing. – Social distancing will be observed, wearing a mask is recommended. Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to Sunday after lunch. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

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