

### St. Felicitas Church

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Pastor - Fr. Ed Schaefer Oblate - Fr. Tom Killeen

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Justin Benhoff, Gene Bickl, Cindy Gnaedinger, Joe Lubbers and Vince Langenhorst.

#### **Finance Council**

Mary Huelsmann, John Ketterer, Dan Potthast & Allen Thole. **Parish Trustees:** Barry Hampel and Alan Heldorfer.

Administrative Assistant: Lisa Voss

#### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

*4 - 27 -* 2025 Number of Envelopes 21

Envelope Total

Loose Collection \$128.00

Grand Total

\$808.00

\$680.00

Our monthly income for February 2025 was \$9,851; our monthly expenses totaled \$13,014 (\$4,500 was final payment on new windows)



#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Have you remembered St. Felicitas Parish in your Estate Planning?

CSMA Total to-date - \$3,213 our 2025 goal is \$2,018

Third Sunday of Easter

In the days and weeks that followed the Resurrection, the risen Lord kept appearing to his disciples when and where they least expected: in a locked room in Jerusalem, on the road to Emmaus, on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias. Each time, it took a while for them to recognize him. We often fail to recognize him as well, even though we know he continues to appear in our midst today. Whether in the person in need, in God's word, in the Eucharist, or in each other, let us be reminded that he continues to offer his presence to us every day.

Taken from Pastoral Patterns



May 4 - Living and deceased members of the Vince Wilke Family & Gerald Hilmes
May 11 - Herman & Reginia Jansen

If you have something you would like added to the bulletin, please email the parish office at:
stfelicitasbeaverprairie@gmail.com
or text Lisa @ 618-477-7733 before Friday.

# Prayer Request

Please pray for those who need the Lord's healing in body, mind or spirit, especially Krystal Huelsmann, Betty Voss, Ed & Margie McQuade, Taylor Marti, Jim Jansen, Father Ed Schaefer and all who asked for our prayers.



USHERS: Vince & Connie Barciszewski

**LECTORS:** Millie Peppenhorst

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Alan Heldofer,

Jared Luebbers, Pam Benhoff GIFT BEARERS: Erlinger Family

SERVERS: Addison, Wade, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

**MUSICIAN:** Chad

May 11 - 9:30 a.m. - MOTHER'S DAY

**USHERS:** Barry Hampel & Norb Rakers

**LECTORS:** *lackie Hampel* 

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Lisa Voss, Emily

Hilmes, Zane Gray

GIFT BEARERS: Jansen Family

**SERVERS:** Carlee, Zoey, Aiden, Averie, Evie

**MUSICIAN:** Maribeth

Ministry schedule for June - August is available on this week's bulletin insert.

Also listed online with our weekly bulletin at www.strosechurchil.com

## /// ASCENSION

#### The Rosary in a year

If you love saying the Rosary , or want to learn how to pray it, and about the meaning behind all the Mysteries, consider checking out the Rosary in a Year Podcast (It's Free!)... or it is also on the Ascension App. In Ascension's Rosary in a Year podcast, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, CFR, guides listeners in a step-by-step journey that will change the way you pray - no matter where you are in your spiritual life. By starting small and adding on over time, listeners will find themselves falling more in love with this powerful Marian devotion, becoming a source of grace for the whole world.

Missed Mass but still want to keep up....find our bulletins online at www.strosechurchil.com

Congrátulátions on celebráting your First Holy Communion!



### Please help us in congratulating Charlee Erlinger

who will be making her First Holy Communion today. Charlee is the daughter of David & Amanda Erlinger.

Special thanks to our second grade Catechist, Tiffany Kauffmann, for preparing Charlee for this sacrament.

### Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates

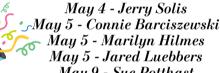
Congratulations to all of our Confirmation Candidates who were anointed with the Holy Chrism oil by Fr. Von and Fr. Ed Schaefer, who were delegated by the Diocese to administer the sacrament in absence of a Bishop, Friday night with students from St. Francis and St. Rose.

Students from St. Felicitas include: Aiden Voss, Blake Detmer, Chase Luebbers and Joshua Hilmes.

As you celebrate this milestone in your journey of faith, may the Holy Spirit be with you to renew and strengthen you in your commitment to follow Christ. Know that you have the prayers and support of your parish family. Congratulations on your Confirmation

Extra thanks to Father Tom for making time to meet with all of our students in the past weeks to help prepare them for their sacraments. We are so grateful for your spiritual guidance and leadership. Your presence in our parish is a true blessing, THANK YOU!

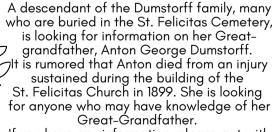
### HAPPY BIRTHDAY





May 4 - Vince & Connie Barciszewski - 46 years If we fail to publish your birthday, please get with the parish office so we can update your member profile.

Join us in congratulating sophomore Mariah Benhoff, daughter of Justin and Pam Benhoff, who was selected as a Student of the Quarter at Mater Dei High School!



If you have any information, please get with Lisa so we can contact the family.

Next weekend our PSR students will be wrap up our school year.

As tradition, we invite our mom's to join us for our last class to enjoy some light refreshments and play some trivia with us. We have enjoyed getting to spend our Sunday mornings with the kids sharing the faith!

Catechist: Abby Voss, Alex Voss, Madyson Diekemper, McKenzie Diekemper, Tiffany Kaufmann & Lisa Voss

Dear Friends in Christ.

On March 31, our Holy Father Pope Francis appointed me the new Archbishop of Omaha. As I will soon conclude my ministry as Bishop of Belleville, I thank all of you for your prayers and for sharing your faith with me throughout the past five years. I enjoyed being your Bishop and have seen many signs of hope for the future of our diocese. I hope that the seeds we have planted will, with God's blessing, come to fruition in the years ahead. For more reflections on these years, please read our Diocesan newspaper, The Messenger, April 24, 2025.

I ask for your prayers during this time of transition. Also, please keep the intention of a new bishop in your daily prayers as the diocese awaits the Holy Father's appointment of a new shepherd.

After May 1, you may write me at the: Archdiocese of Omaha,

2222 N. 111th St., Omaha, NE 68164-3817 With gratitude in the love of Christ,

Bishop Michael McGovern

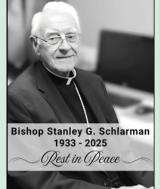
We are looking for a few adults to join our program this fall. We are needing to replace teachers for the following grades: 3-4 & 5-6. If someone is interested in 7-8 we can make that change now as well, but Lisa will commit to one more group for Confirmation. If this is something you would be interested in, please let Lisa or Tiffany know ASAP so we can get all the necessary paperwork for the diocese completed in plenty of time.

Please keep in mind, if we do not get volunteers, we may not be able to offer classes in the fall.

#### Bishop Stanley G. Schlarman

July 27, 1933 - April 28, 2025 Bishop Schlarman was an American prelate of the Roman Catholic Church. He was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Belleville by Most Reverend Luigi Traglia at Śt. Alexis in Rome, on July 13, 1958.

Bishop Schlarman served as an Associate at the Cathedral of St. Peter in 1959 and in the fall became an Instructor at Mater Dei Catholic High School in Breese, IL. In 1963, Bishop Schlarman served as director of the Don



Bosco Latin School for prospective seminarians in Aviston, IL. In 1965, he served as a Counselor at Mater Dei and in 1968 became the principal. While at Mater Dei, he did catechetical work and ministered to children with neurodivergent diagnoses at the Warren G. Murray Developmental Center in Centralia, IL. In 1972, he served as Chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital in Breese while also serving as Administrator of St. Rose Parish in St. Rose.

On March 13, 1979, Pope John Paul II appointed Bishop Schlarman as an auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Belleville, IL where he served until 1983. He was later appointed as the fourth bishop of the Diocese of Dodge City in Kansas on March 1, 1983, serving there until 1998.

Bishop Schlarman retired from active ministry in July 2015.

#### Kings House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitors Center - God First Loved Us

Starting Sept. 21, 2025 - May 1, 2026. Retreat begins on Friday at 4 p.m. and ends Sunday's at 1 p.m. The new quiet retreat of King's House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows delves into Pope Francis' la test encyclical, Dilexit Nos (meaning "He loved us"), a beautiful meditation on the human and divine love of Christ. Using the heart as a symbol of the core of the person, this retreat will explore the Holy Father's description of Sacred Heart devotion, focusing on how we can find healing, comfort, inspiration and community in our contemplation of the love emanating from the Heart of Jesus. Minimum donation: \$25 per



person (includes lodging and meals).

### UPCOMING **EVENTS**

will be held on May 7, 8, and 9 at 325 S. Jefferson, Trenton in the parish center. Hours for the sale are Wednesday, May 7, 6m-8:30 pm; Thursday, May 8, 8:30am-3 pm and 6 pm-8:30 pm (1/2 price), and Friday, May 9, 8:30 am-5 pm (\$3 bag day). **May 9 -** The Cl. Co. Relay for Life Committee is celebrating 25 years in 2025! To kick off the relay

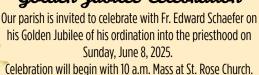
**May 7-9** - St. Mary's Parish Rummage and Bake Sale

season, the Clinton County Relay for Life Committee is hosting a fun night out for the family! Join them at the LIGHT THE NIGHT BIKE RIDE starting at Bent Oak Golf Course! Sign up at:

https://form.jotform.com/241007334865050

June 13 -15 - Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year! The following upcoming weekends are available in 2025. For more informal on or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

## Golden Jubilee Celebration



Reception following immediately until early afternoon.

Please stop in and congratulate Fr. Ed during his jubilee celebration.

### FOR LENT, FOR LIFE

Golden Jubilee

#### WHAT YOU GIVE UP FOR LENT CHANGES LIVES

Together, we changed lives this Lent through CRS Rice Bowl. THANK YOU for being a part of this effort! You! can always donate online at crsricebowl.org/donate.\*

#### Schedule of Upcoming 2025-2026 Healing Masses

Information will be updated whenever the office is notified. St. Bernard - 5/20/25 @ 7 p.m.

St. Charles/St. Michael/St. Barbara (Scheller) - 7/15/25 St. Felicitas/St. Rose/St. Francis - 9/16/25

St. Teresa (Marydale)/St. Mary (Carlyle) - 11/18/25

St. Mary (Mt. Vernon), St. Mary (Centralia), St. Lawrence - 1/20/26 St. Anthony (Lively Grove)/St. Barbara (Okawville) - 3/17/26

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Be Not Afraid" NABRE © 2010 CCD, Used with permission.

### L for VOLUNTEE

In addition to extra PSR help, we are also in need of a volunteer for a Children's Educations Component facilitator. Each year we are required for our students to have access to a facilitator

led presentation. The program provides a theme that introduces and

builds on the basic concepts of the Teaching Boundaries and Safety Guide. The material is developmentally appropriate for each age group and includes content and activities that reinforce the message. Within each lesson plan is the ability to tailor the activities and messaging to meet the diverse needs of the children and youth at all levels. Facilitators must be compliant with the child protection policy, have a belief in the policy, are comfortable with the topic of child abuse/sexual abuse and be comfortable presenting this information to our PSR Students. Facilitators will have access to materials, a short 30-minute self-paced training relating to content and lesson plans. After your initial set up with the Diocese and training. The requirements

would just be renewal of any necessary training, yearly lesson training (30 Minute online, self-paced) and one Sunday morning during PSR class to perform the presentation.

If this is something you are interested in, please talk with Lisa for more information. Initial time requirement would be maximum 3 hours and then 30 minutes a year plus presenting during one religion session per school year.



#### June 1 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: John Hampel & Dan Potthast

LECTORS: Jackie Albers

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Lisa Voss, Cindy

Gnaedinger, Gene Bickl **GIFT BEARERS:** Volunteers

SERVERS: Zoey, Carlee, Lakin, Hanley & Harrison

**MUSICIAN:** Chad

June 8 - 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Steve Gnaedinger & Vince Langenhorst

**LECTORS:** Sharon Bickl

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Pam Benhoff,

Emily Hilmes, Norb Rakers **GIFT BEARERS:** Rakers Family

SERVERS: Averie, Zoey, Carlee, Wade, Aiden

**MUSICIAN:** 

June 15 – 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Alan Heldorfer & Norb Rakers

LECTORS: Jackie Hampel

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Sharon Bickl, Gene

Bickl & Tiffany Kauffmann

**GIFT BEARERS:** Hemann Family

SERVERS: Hanley & Harrison, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

MUSICIAN: Lisa McQuade

June 22 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Connie & Vince Barciszewski

**LECTORS:** Millie Peppenhorst

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Norb Rakers, Pam

Benhoff & Joe Luebbers

**GIFT BEARERS:** Arlene Hilmes Family **SERVERS:** Carlee, Zoey, Aiden, Averie, Evie

**MUSICIAN:** 

June 29 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Alvin Huels & Craig Diekemper

**LECTORS:** Sue Potthast

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Alan Heldorfer,

Ann Hampel & Cindy Gnaedinger

GIFT BEARERS: Barciszewski Family

SERVERS: Hanley & Harrison, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

**MUSICIAN:** Prairie Travelers

July 6 - 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Justin Benhoff & Joe Luebbers

LECTORS: Tiffany Kauffmann

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Ed Monken, Linda

Monken & Jared Luebbers

GIFT BEARERS: Hemann Family

SERVERS: Carlee, Zoey, Wesley, Averie, Evie

MUSICIAN: Chad

July 13 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Barry Hampel & John Hampel

**LECTORS:** Ann Hampel

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Lisa Voss, Emily

Hilmes & Jackie Albers

**GIFT BEARERS:** Huels Family

SERVERS: Hanley & Harrison, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

**MUSICIAN:** 

July 20 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Dan Ketterer & Ed Monken

**LECTORS:** Jackie Hampel

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Sharon Bickl, Gene

Bickl, & Norb Rakers

**GIFT BEARERS:** Rakers Family

SERVERS: Zoey, Carlee, Evie, Lakin, MaKenna

MUSICIAN: Lisa McQuade

July 27 - 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Steve Gnaedinger & Vince Langenhorst

**LECTORS:** Ann Hampel

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Pam Benhoff.

Emily Hilmes, Cindy Gnaedinger

**GIFT BEARERS:** Arlene Hilmes Family

SERVERS: Averie, Zoey, Carlee, Hanley & Harrison

**MUSICIAN:** 

August 3 – 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Alvin Huels & Craig Diekemper

**LECTORS:** Sue Potthast

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Ed Monken, Linda

Monken & Joe Luebbers **GIFT BEARERS:** Volunteers

SERVERS: Wesley, Evie, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

**MUSICIAN:** 

August 10 - 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Vince & Connie Barciszewski

**LECTORS:** Millie Peppenhorst

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Jackie Albers, Ann

Hampel, Tiffany Kaufmann

**GIFT BEARERS:** 

SERVERS: Carlie, Zoey, Averie, Hanley & Harrison

**MUSICIAN:** 

August 17 – 9:30 a.m.

**USHERS:** Barry Hampel & Norb Rakers

**LECTORS:** Millie Peppenhorst

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Alan Heldofer,

Jared Luebbers, Pam Benhoff

**GIFT BEARERS:** 

SERVERS: Hanley & Harrison, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

MUSICIAN: Lisa McQuade

August 24 – 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Gene Bickl & Dan Potthast

**LECTORS:** Jackie Hampel

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Lisa Voss, Emily

Hilmes, Zane Gray

**GIFT BEARERS:** Barciszewski Family **SERVERS:** Carlee, Zoey, Aiden, Averie, Evie

**MUSICIAN:** 

August 31 – 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: Justin Benhoff, Alan Heldorfer

LECTORS: Tiffany Kaufmann

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Cindy Gnaedinger,

Jared Luebbers, Gene Bickl **GIFT BEARERS:** Mary Gress

SERVERS: Hanley & Harrison, McKenna, Maggie, Lakin

**MUSICIAN: Prairie Travelers**