

# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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## *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter* *April 15, 2018*

**Welcome to St. Elizabeth's:** It is our hope that you feel at home and among friends here at St. Elizabeth. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Please introduce yourselves. Registration forms are available in the entry racks or contact us anytime at 308-534-5461.

### Religious Services

#### **Mass Schedule** For Sunday Obligation:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

#### **Weekdays & Holy Days**

As published in the Bulletin.

#### **Rosary**

Prayed **8:30 a.m.** Monday mornings, and  
30 minutes before weekend Mass.

#### **Sacrament of Confession**

Offered 30 minutes before most all daily Masses  
Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:55 p.m.  
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m., or by appointment.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Parents are asked to attend a baptism preparation class. This is recommended, and easiest to do before the birth of the child, but must be done before the baptism.

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

To assist those who plan to marry, all couples will be required to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation policy, which includes the FOCCUS & Engaged Encounter Programs. This requires a minimum of 4-6 months. The assessment process must be completed before a wedding date is set. Contact pastor early to begin the preparation.

### Parish Information

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

All material is to be submitted to the parish office before noon Wednesday prior to the Sunday it is to appear. Email to: [rectory-office@seas-np.org](mailto:rectory-office@seas-np.org)

#### **New or Moving Parishioners**

Please call the office to arrange an appointment with the Pastor to register in the Parish. Please call the office to notify us of any address change.

#### **Your Will**

Ask your attorney to include remembrance of your Church in your will.

#### **Religious Vocations**

Any young woman interested in religious life, or young man interested in a vocation to the priesthood should contact your pastor. Please pray for vocations!

### Education

#### **C.C.D. Programs**

Sunday mornings (Sept-May) 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)**

For those interested in possibly joining the Catholic Church. Usually on Wednesdays (Sept-May), 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in Parish Hall. Please contact the parish office for more information.

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday	Apr. 16	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Apr. 17	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>
Wednesday	Apr. 18	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
Thursday	Apr. 19	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Apr. 20	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>
Saturday	Apr. 21	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>
Sunday	Apr. 22	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>

## INTENTIONS

Anna Lee  
 Elizabeth (Liz) Haag  
 Bernie Pieper +  
 Phillip Contreras, Sr.  
 For our Benefactors  
 People of Our Parish  
 Wielechowski Family

**You alone, O LORD,  
 bring security to my  
 dwelling.**

— Psalm 4:9

## **Stewardship: April 8, 2018**

**Adult Envelopes:** .....\$1,157.50  
**Loose Plate:** .....\$186.00  
**Children:** ..... **\$3.86**  
**Total:** ..... **\$1,347.36**

**Joy of the Gospel Campaign**  
 Total Pledged: .....\$958,770.00  
 Gifts last week: .....\$35.00  
**Total Gifts Received:.....\$676,611.05**  
 Original DIAL Loan:.....1,485,000.00  
 Total Received (CTTF Camp):\$1,025,440.07  
 Misc Donations Received:.....\$739,940.31  
 Total Payments on Loan:.....\$1,500,360.04  
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... **\$254,215.88**

Good Friday Holy Land:.....\$525.00  
 Easter Sunday: .....\$175.00  
 American Bishops Overseas:.....\$3.00  
 Black & Indian Collection: .....\$3.00  
 Catholic Communication: .....\$3.00  
 Catholic Home Missions: .....\$3.00  
 Catholic University: .....\$3.00  
 Retired Religious:.....\$3.00

## **Parish Calendar**

Sunday Apr. 15 11:00am CCD Classes  
 Wednesday Apr. 18 7:00pm RCIA Class  
 Sunday Apr. 22 10:00am – Graduation Mass for Seniors; 11:00am CCD Classes

## **Catholic School News:**

**SUMMER XPLORE** ... Program Dates: Mon., June 4 – Fri. June 8. Classes will run from 9am-Noon. Registration: \$65 if received by May 4! Please visit Sycamore or npcschools.org to get your Registration Form.

**Attention CURRENT FAMILIES of NPCS** ... Now is the time to RE-ENROLL your students for the 2018-2019 school year. You must Log In to Sycamore. Look under NEWS for Online Re-Enrollment Article. Follow the link in this news article. If you need assistance in the process please contact Jennifer Winder at j.winder@npcschools.org. *Current SENIOR Parents ... this includes you!! Please follow this simple process and it will advance your students to Post Grad status.*

### **Good News at NPCSI!**

Casey Jett recently competed at the State Level of the National Geographic Bee which put him in the top 100 Middle Schools students in Geography! Casey is the son of Madonna and Andrew Jett.

Spring brings much excitement at McDaid. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders have begun their embryonic unit and will soon have baby chick chirping up a beautiful spring symphony in the classroom.

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade books are in and have been flying off the shelves. Few remain so if you'd like to purchase one of the books written and illustrated by this year's McDaid Sixth Grade please contact the school. Books are \$10 each and proceeds benefit our McDaid PTO.

### **Upcoming Events** ...

- April 16 MAPS Testing at McDaid
- April 17 Golf @ Perkins Co; School Board Meeting.
- April 18 JH Track @ Sutherland
- April 20 District Music Contest at Hershey.
- April 21 Track at Hershey – 10:00am
- April 24 Golf @ Kearney Catholic
- April 25 SPHS Spring Concert at 7pm.
- April 26 JH Track @ Chase Co.
- April 27 SPVA Golf @ St. Patrick; SPVA Track @ Sidney
- April 30 Athletic Banquet 6:30pm

### **North Platte Catholic School:**

**Faith and Knowledge for a Brighter Future**

**Mass for our Graduating Seniors** ... is Sunday, April 22, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church for our High School Seniors.

**Easter is a Season** ... Just as Sunday is one day out of seven, so the Easter season, a period of 50 days, is approximately one-seventh of the year. The Easter season, a time of special rejoicing and celebration of the Resurrection of Christ, is the “Great Sunday” of the year. The liturgical prayers and readings focus on the Resurrection and the effects that it has on believers and on the world. The Acts of the Apostles is a book of Scripture that provides the source of most of the readings of the Easter Season, and it shows the vigor with which the apostles proclaimed the Resurrection and brought many to the waters of baptism to share the new life of Christ. This season is a celebration of life, and leads us all to a deeper commitment to proclaim, celebrate, and serve the gift of human life.

**PARISH MISSION** ... St. Patrick Catholic Church of North Platte would like to invite you to join our parish mission themed “**I Am The Bread of Life.**” **Father James Costigan of the Fathers of Mercy** will be presenting for five nights. Father Costigan travels America giving parish missions and retreats, especially those aimed at the establishment and promotion of Eucharistic adoration. His presentation, “My Flesh is Real Food,” focuses on a different topic each night - Worship in Spirit and Truth (**Sunday**), Fear Not (**Monday**), Best Friend (**Tuesday**), Watch One Hour (**Wednesday**), and The Rockies (**Thursday**). Free childcare is provided. The mission will take place on **April 22-26, 2018** from 7-8 pm each evening. All are welcome! Hope to see you there! **All are invited to join us for a bowl of homemade soup on Sunday evening, April 22.** We will be serving between 6:00pm - 7:00pm.

### **TOTUS TUUS (A Summer Catechetical Program)**

... is scheduled for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish July 8-13, 2018. Makes plans for your children & other children you know to participate.

## **Renew Subscriptions to MAGNIFICAT! ...**

MAGNIFICAT is a monthly publication containing a short morning, evening, & night prayer, & a short daily meditation; as well as the Scripture readings for the Daily & Sunday Masses, essays on the lives of the saints, and spiritual insight into masterpieces of sacred art. Magnificat is a good way to learn more about your faith & deepen your prayer life and your relationship with God. The **annual group subscription rate is \$21.00/each**. That is a savings of almost \$24.00 off regular (individual price of \$44.95). If you would like to be a part of the group / bulk subscription, please turn in your payment to Fr. Seiker. The **group subscription** runs from **Aug. 2018–Jul. 2019**. Those in our Group may also read Magnificat either **online** or on **iphone** or **ipod**.

**REVIVE ...** It's with great excitement that we announce to you the first annual Diocese of Lincoln Young Adult Conference - REVIVE. It will take place **July 13-14, 2018** at the Newman Center. To register: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/revivelnk>. Check-in Friday 6-7pm, starts with 7:15pm Exposition; Concludes Saturday with 4:30pm Mass, Dinner, and 8pm Live Band.

## **Men/Women seeking healing from Divorce ...**

*The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide* was created to bring hope and healing to divorced and separated Catholics. This 12 week program will be leader facilitated & features 30-minute DVD segments that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, kids, annulment, and much more. The next session will begin June 4, 2018 and is held at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln, NE from 7-9pm. Classes are kept small. Cost is \$50. Register by calling the Family Life Office at, 402-473-0620, or [catholicflo@cdolinc.net](mailto:catholicflo@cdolinc.net) If there is interest for a class/group in North Platte, we might be able to start one, call 534-5461!

**Diocesan Canoe Trips are coming up! ...** This three-day outdoor adventure includes daily Mass, confessions, talks, private reflection time, and other opportunities for youth to grow in their relationship with Christ. A Campfire, skits and rosary fill the evening hours. Dates are **July 8-10** and **July 10-12**, cost is \$100. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/camps/diocesan-canoe-trip>.

**Camp Kateri Registrations ...** Online registration for Leadership Camp is at [www.campkateri.org](http://www.campkateri.org). This Catholic program is a 7-day summer camp for boys entering 6-9th grades. Camp 1 is July 8-14, 2018. Camp 2 is July 15-21, 2018. The cost is \$415. For more info, go to Camp Kateri website or email [CampKateriT@gmail.org](mailto:CampKateriT@gmail.org).

**Stebenville Mid-America Youth Conference ...** will be **July 13-15**. There is an exciting lineup of speakers, musicians and presenters, to challenge Catholic youth to stand firm in their faith, to rely upon the awesome power of Jesus Christ as their guide, friend and Savior, and to show them that faith to the world. For more information or to register today go to [www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/stebenville-youth-conference](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/stebenville-youth-conference).

**Put a Retreat into Your Schedule ...** register at [www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com) & receive immediate confirmation or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705 to register now.

### **April – May Schedule:**

Apr 20-22 ..... Fr. Benjamin Holdren..... Men / Women  
"Deepening your Prayer Life"  
May 4-6 ..... Fr. Anthony Baetzold, CFR... Men / Women  
"Totus Tuus: A Retreat with Mary, Mother of the Church"

## **12 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY and the Vatican ...**

Roundtrip from Lincoln June 4-15, 2018. Priest escort Fr. Rand Langhorst. See Rome, The Vatican, Assisi, Eucharistic Miracle Sites, San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), and Cascia. \$3,795.00 per person double occupancy. Includes flights, lodgings, breakfast and dinner daily. Contact [fr.randlanghorst@gmail.com](mailto:fr.randlanghorst@gmail.com) to be sent an electronic brochure or via postal mail or Visit web at [www.tektonministries.org](http://www.tektonministries.org).

**The Concealed Angel ...** It is related that Michelangelo, the famous Italian sculptor, painter, and poet once stood before a great block of marble that had been cast aside. As he stood there with eyes staring straight at the marble, a friend approached and asked what he was looking at. "An angel," came the reply. He saw what the mallet, chisel, and patient skill could do with that rejected stone. He set to work and produced one of his master-pieces. And so God sees possibilities in us.

## **Blessed Sacrament – He Fits Our Hearts ...**

The piety of a small girl in the Mexican town where I was pastor was remarkable. Passing the church on her way to school each day, she would drop in to visit the Blessed Sacrament. A local resident known for his attacks on the Church also noticed her. One day he waited for the tot & confronted her. "Why do you enter the church so often?" he asked. "To talk with God," she replied. "Does God speak to you?" he continued. "Yes, in my heart," she said. "How big is your God?" he asked. Her response: "My God is big enough to be everywhere, & little enough to live in my heart!"  
-- from John P. Lomasney, M.M. *Maryknoll Magazine*

**MISSING!?!?** ... People don't miss Church services because they live too far from the building; it's because they live too far from God!

**Live One Day At A Time ...** Someone asked a woman how she was feeling & her answer was, "Today I am very well, but unfortunately tomorrow I will probably be suffering again." Why project the suffering of yesterday to tomorrow instead of dwelling on today for which you can thank God?

**The Blessing Of Humility ...** When you are in the process of humbling yourself, the Lord will load you with blessings. God wants you to be like the stalk of wheat that is full of beautiful grains. The more it is loaded, the lower it stoops down. Thus, my dear friend, your real riches will be manifested by your humility.

## **FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:**

**Welcome to the Lord's Table ...** We welcome our second grade students Vivienne Johnsen and Gianna Pieper, who received our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time last Sunday, April 8. May each of us continue to treasure the awesome gift it is to receive our Lord in Holy Communion. Thanks to all who helped with the First Communion Mass: the ministers at the Altar & to Carmen Buhrman, Diane Gregg, and Teresa Niesen for providing music. Thanks especially to our teacher, Mrs. Teri Volesky for the gift of her time to teach the "little ones".

**Congratulations and Welcome ...** to the new member of our parish family: **Harris Grunden** made his Profession of Faith at the Easter Vigil, March 31, 2018, and was Confirmed and received First Holy Communion also at the Easter Vigil. We welcome Harris, and look to him for inspiration as he lives this new life. We pledge our prayer & support as together we journey to the Father as one family! May all of us draw others to the Lord & to His Church!

**Fr. Seiker at Cursillo Regional Encounter ...** I will be attending the Cursillo Spring Region VI Encounter near Ashland, NE, April 20-21. I will be leaving on Friday afternoon, April 20 & return Saturday night late. Fr. Bernard Lorenz will be here for Saturday Confessions & Mass. Please welcome him. I will be here for the Sunday Confessions & Mass.

## Liturgical Minister

	Sat., April 21, 5:00pm	Sun., April 22, 10:00am
<b>Lector</b>	Mike Krondak	Justin Pieper
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jon Walz	Jerry Cooper
<b>Server</b>	William Krondak	Lakeland Lowrey
	Nicholas Krondak	Harmon Johnsen
<b>Music</b>	Volunteer	Peggy Orr
<b>Gifts</b>	Forrest Kain family	Mitch & Diane Gregg
<b>Ushers</b>	Steve Fear	Duane Johnsen
	Janet Fear	Heather Johnsen
<b>Rosary</b>		

## *Readings for the Week*

Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

**Prayers for the sick:** Father Jim Novakowski, Kelly Henry (Mitch Gregg's sister), Julie (Kellogg) Buehler (Molly Walz's aunt), Peggy Fleecs, Dan Becker (Ed Rieker's brother-in-law), Gordon Swanson (Cindy Swanson's father), Patti Caudillo, Leona Clouatre, Renate Nordquist, Virginia Waechter (mother of Peggy Orr), Sharon Beckius, John Kahl, Mike & Kim Paul, Margaret Schuckert, Eileen Boltz, Jim Beckius.

**Prayers for the deceased:** Father Melvin Rempe, Frank Schneweis (Emily Krondak's father), Martha Burbach, Bernie Pieper (Justin Pieper's grandfather), Jerry Kenny (Charles & Toni Barron's son-in-law), Bernadine Duryea (Ben Heskett's mother), Luke Ranck, Robert Inlow (Joanne Bollish's son), Mickey Kirwan (Teri Volesky's brother), Margaret Baxa, Loretta Pilakowski, Pat Sexton, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

**Birthdays:** 4/14 - Gianna Pieper, 4/18 - Bridger McCormick, Mina McCormick, Rosie Nisley.

**Congratulations:** to Steve & Kim Clouatre who celebrate their 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Apr. 22.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION** ... There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a "rule" that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. Several years ago, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolding more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called "Kentucky Dominicans," began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery, experiencing Christ's dying and rising in an inspiring way. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST** ... Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament – the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**WINGS** ... Faith furnishes prayer with wings, without which it cannot soar to Heaven. —St. John Climacus

**CHURCH** ... God sends no churches from the skies, Out of our hearts they must arise. —Anonymous

**Pray for our Seminarians:** Anthony Hoang Thai Tran-Le, from Sacred Heart Parish, Crete, Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln, St. Francis Parish, Lincoln. He entered the Seminary in 2017. He is in College 1 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. Skylar Lawrence Woita, from St. Wenceslaus Parish, Wahoo. He entered the Seminary in 2017. He is in College 1 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

## **HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS**

**(APRIL): Universal: For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters** - That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

## **THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING EASTER FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR**

(04/15/2018)

### **In Memory of:**

Ted Mueller

Braulio & Maria Barron Deceased Family members

Carlos & Concepcion Barron Deceased Family members

Julian & Marty Estrada

Deceased Juan B Ortega family

Martha Burbach

Deceased Burbach & Jones Family members

Otto & Virginia Weskamp

Robert & Anita Nisley

Lynn Weskamp

Al Robinson

Pat Sexton

Jesse Torres

Nancy Vandenberg

### **Requested by:**

Charles & Toni Barron

Toni & Charles Barron

Beatrice Estrada

Beatrice Estrada

Ron & Rosemary Jones

Ron & Rosemary Jones

Jim and Shirley Nisley

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Alice Robinson