

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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Pentecost Sunday *May 20, 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

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	May 21	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	May 22	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	May 23	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	May 24	8:00 a.m.
Friday	May 25	
Saturday	May 26	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	May 27	10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

John Rieker
 Book of Memories / Blessings
 Funeral for Bernadine Torres
 Al Robinson +
 Msgr. Dan Seiker (-bap)
 - No Scheduled Parish Mass -
 Al Hullett & Nita Johnston
 People of Our Parish

*There are different
 kinds of spiritual gifts
 but the same Spirit.*

— 1 Corinthians 12:4

Stewardship: May 13, 2018

Adult Envelopes:\$1,288.60
Loose Plate:.....\$220.00
Children:.....\$3.50
Holy Day (Ascension): \$538.01
Total: \$2,050.11

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:\$958,770.00
 Gifts last week:\$0.00
Total Gifts Received:.....**\$686,498.05**
 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:.....\$1,507,860.04
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... **\$246,189.53**

CCD Calendar for May
 May 20 11:00am–12:15pm Last Class

Parish Calendar

Sunday	May 20	11:00am	Last CCD Classes; <u>11:30am Daughters of Charity Meeting</u>
Thursday	May 24	7:00pm	Parish Council Meeting.
Friday	May 25	7:00pm	Ordination of Deacons at Cathedral in Lincoln
Saturday	May 26	11:00am	Ordination of Priests at Cathedral in Lincoln

Catholic School News:

THEOLOGY VACANCY ... North Platte St. Patrick's high school is looking to fill a theology vacancy. Applicant must hold/be eligible for a Nebraska Teaching Certificate. Theology endorsement preferred but not required. The North Platte Catholic schools are a preK-12 system with an enrollment of 400 students. Interested applicants may contact Supt. Kevin Dodson at k.dodson@npcschools.org or call 1-308-532-1874 for application instructions.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS at St. Patrick's High School are from 8:30am to 12:30pm on Monday through Friday. Office hours at the Endowment are Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm and Fridays from 9am – 12pm. SCRIP Sales will continue at Holy Spirit and St. Patrick's Parishes throughout the summer months.

2017-2018 Yearbook Orders are now being taken! ... Please contact the school to place your order. Yearbooks run \$40 if you order through the school or pass-a-note to Mr. Giebler. If you'd like your yearbook personalized you can order through Jostens.com. Little Leprechaun Preschool classes are included in the yearbooks so please be sure to place your orders early! A few 2016-17 yearbooks remain if you'd like to purchase one of them please contact the school 532-1874 or Mr. Giebler at m.giebler@npcschools.org.

SUMMER XPLORE Program ... It's Not Too Late to ENROLL.
 There's still room in the Wild About Fishing (grades 2&3), Sports Camp (grades 4, 5 and 6) and very few spots remain in a few other classes so please enroll your students SOON!! 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.

Think SCRIP for Summer! ... Check out our *NEW retailers ... McDonald's and Wild Bill's! Have travel plans this summer! Shop SCRIP first! DID YOU KNOW ... you can plan your vacation with SCRIP – and earn money toward tuition! (You earn 2% back from ALL SCRIP purchases!) SCRIP is available for the following travel retailers...

Transportation – American Airlines, Delta, SouthWest, Avis Car Rental, Budget Car Rental, Uber

Lodging – AirBNB, Hotels.com, Best Western, Cambria, Choice Hotel, Clarion, Comfort, Conrad, Doubletree, EconoLodge, Embassy Suites, Fairmont, Four Points, Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn, Homewood Suites, Marcus, Rodeway Inn, Sleep Inn, Tru, Quality Inn, Waldorf Astoria

Entertainment–Carnival Cruise, Celebrity Cruise, Princess Cruise Line, Royal Caribbean, DISNEY (accepted at Disney parks, resorts, stores)

*Contact the Endowment office for more information on SCRIP! (w.dodson@npcschools.org, 308-534-5939) Also remember that the deadline for SCRIP purchases to apply toward 2018/2019 tuition is **June 30, 2018**. SCRIP purchases made from July 1st on (through the end of June, 2019) are applied toward the following year (2019 / 2020).

Calling all Alumni! ... NEW this year for the Alumni Reunion Weekend ... **Co-Ed VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT!** 6 on 6 Tournament will be held July 7 at 8am. Cost per team is \$75. Contact Shelly Byrn at s.byrn@npcschools.org (539-2677) or Katie (Thomsen) Rush at thomsenka.kt@gmail.com (530-4103).

You are also welcome to join us for the **Alumni Reunion Golf Tournament** on Friday, July 6th at 1:00pm. This tournament will be held at River's Edge Golf Course. Cost \$200 per team of 4. Contact Wendy Dodson to make reservations: w.dodson@npcschools.org or 534-5939.

North Platte Catholic School: Faith and Knowledge for a Brighter Future

Daughters of Charity (Altar Society) Meeting:
 will be **Sunday, May 20, at 11:30am** in Rectory Conference Rm.

"Theology on Tap" ... for single & married adults in their 20's & 30's. Join us **Sunday, May 20** when **Tom Venzor** is the **Executive Director of the Nebraska Catholic Conference**. Start time: 6:30pm-7:00pm social time, with presentation starting promptly at 7:00pm. **Knights of Columbus Hall (515 E 5th St); location change.** Free will donations accepted. Cash bar. Please follow our link on Facebook: Theology on Tap North Platte. If you have questions, please call Jennifer Kramer 520-1622.

Parish Council Meeting ... Thu May 24, 7:00pm, Rectory Conference Room. (Members: Ken Bjornstad, Diane Gregg, Philip Heimann, Jim Nisley. Trustees: Jerry Volesky, Duane Johnson).

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.

Charity & Stewardship Appeal CSA 2018

(DDP) ... The results thus far are: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton goal is **\$9,370.00!** The pledges so far total \$15,085.00, and \$9,345.00 has already been paid. There were 17 persons who pledged more in 2018 than in 2017 for a total of \$2,895.00 MORE! There were 8 persons who gave less in 2018 than in 2017, for a total of \$1,430.00 less. There were 20 persons who gave the same that they gave last year for a total of \$5,730.00. May the Lord reward you for your contributions, & for giving what you have to Him. **There are still 41 cards out! If you haven't made your pledge, please do so when called on. Please remember to be faithful to your pledges!**

The Bargain Bin ... is now open Mondays as well as Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10am - 3pm. Every 2nd Monday evening from 5pm - 8pm continues to be a BAG SALE with the next one being this coming Monday evening, May 14. All of this is made possible by our devoted volunteers, generous donors and all of you shop for your treasures at the Bargain Bin! Thank you to ALL of you!

Introduction to Deliverance ... Have you ever wondered ... exactly, what IS deliverance and how does it fit into our Catholic Faith? The Diocesan Office of Evangelization will be hosting an evening consisting of four 20 minute talks. This is open to ALL: laity, religious, clergy, members of the Christian community & anyone who would like a better understanding of the meaning of deliverance and how each person can benefit from it. Join us at John XXIII Diocesan Center (3700 Sheridan Blvd) Lincoln, Thursday, July 5, 7-8:30pm. Questions? Contact Matt at matthew-simmons@cdolinc.net or call 402-805-9668.

Encounter School of Healing ... Encounter Ministries is offering a conference on Jesus' gift and power of healing on June 1-2. The goal of this conference is to teach & activate Catholics to be effective ministers of Jesus' healing in the world. The event will be led by Fr. Mathias Thelen of Encounter Ministries & pastor of St. Patrick Church, in Brighton, MI. Event sponsored by Office of Evangelization & Lincoln Equipping Team for Prayer & Healing. For more info. & to register visit <https://encounterministries.us/encounter-school-of-healing-lincoln/>

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>.

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist ... during the month of May, parishioners are encouraged to join in a Study by the Augustine Institute Studios in the Parish Hall on various evenings & (on your own with FORMED.org). Study Guides are available at Parish Office or download them from FORMED.org.

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

Due to the 7:00pm Rosary for Bernadine Torres on Monday, the Monday session will be switched to Tuesday this week.

	7:00pm – 8:15 or 8:30pm	7:00pm	7:00pm
#3	Bread for the Journey	Monday May 21 Tuesday May 22	Wednesday May 23
#4	Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist	Tuesday May 29	Thursday May 31

Eucharistic Family Rosary Crusade ... Saints

Devoted To The Rosary Study ... encouraged by Bishop Conley, study sessions of six (6) saints with special devotion to the Rosary. Sessions will be held in the Parish Hall after Weekend Masses one weekend each month. The weekend will vary based on other activities. The one hour, 15 minute session will include short videos describing the Saint's devotion as well as Gospel reading & discussion questions. The May studies will be:

- Saturday, May 19, 6:30pm – 7:45pm in Parish Hall
- Sunday, May 20, 11:30am – 12:45pm in Parish Hall

These sessions are a way for parishioners to study the lives of saints in an informal setting, along with others from our parish. The goal of this part of the Crusade is to enjoy fellowship with others, while learning a thing or two along the way. We hope you enjoy it!

Saints to be studied are: St. Dominic, St. Pius V, St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Padre Pio, St. John Paul II.

Other small groups are forming ... if you are interested, contact: Greg Vandenberg (308-530-7587; Ed Rieker (308-530-2862)

Pentecost Voice ... The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, former President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life has said, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example – the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

REVIVE ... first annual Diocese of Lincoln Young Adult Conference – REVIVE, July 13-14, 2018 at Newman Center. To register: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/revivelink>. Check-in Friday 6-7pm, starts with 7:15pm Exposition; Concludes Saturday with 4:30pm Mass, Dinner, and 8pm Live Band.

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

Fr. Seiker at Funeral & Ordinations ... Friday 5/25, 10:30am Funeral for Kenneth Barnhill (Fr. Robert Barnhill's father) in Beatrice; Friday 7:00pm (5/25) & Saturday 11:00am (5/26). Returning for Saturday confessions/Mass.

Congratulations to our Graduate ... God's blessings to our Senior, Rosie Arbogast, who graduated from St. Patrick High School on 05/06. Congratulations! Stay with the Lord; let Him & His Bride, the Church, help you in your life.

Mass and Fast for Ireland Campaign ... an urgent spiritual appeal. As many of you know, on May 25, 2018, the people of Ireland will vote to retain or repeal its 8th amendment, which guarantees life to both the mother and the baby. If repealed, Ireland will have abortion on demand!

We are asked by our pro-life brothers and sisters in Ireland to offer Masses and fast in anticipation of this upcoming Irish referendum. It is called "Mass and Fast for Ireland Campaign." A website is devoted to this campaign. It is www.massandfastforireland.com.

From now and up to May 25th, I ask you to offer at least one Mass for this intention and to invite your parishioners to lift up their hearts in prayer for the unborn of Ireland. Please consider adding this as a prayer in the intercessions at Mass. Please invite your parishioners to offer their holy hours in adoration for this intention. I would also ask that the people of the Diocese voluntarily choose one day between now and then too fast for this intention using the traditional Ash Wednesday / Good Friday guidelines for fasting.

Let us unite spiritually with our prolife brothers and sisters in Ireland so that the unborn there will know the protection of law for succeeding generations. Thank you & God bless you. *Bishop Kemme (Bishop of Wichita)*

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., May 26, 5:00pm	Sun., May 27, 10:00am
Lector	Mike Krondak	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Jon Walz	Jerry Cooper
Server	William Krondak	Xavier Pieper
	Nicholas Krondak	Nicholas Niesen
Music	Volunteer	Buhrman/Niesen/Gregg
Gifts	Jim & Shirley Nisley	Ryan & Kate Wartman
Ushers	Steve Fear	Duane Johnsen
	Janet Fear	Heather Johnsen
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
 Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
 Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12;
 Mk 10:1-12
 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
 Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22;
 Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

Prayers for the sick: Jon Walz, Kelly Henry (Mitch Gregg's sister), Julie (Kellogg) Buehler (Molly Walz's aunt), Peggy Fleecs, 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, Eileen Boltz, Jim Beckius.

Prayers for the deceased: Bernadine Torres, Ronald Czya (Fr. Mark Czya's father), Father Jim Novakowski, Margaret Schuckert, 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 mom), Luke Ranck, Robert Inlow (Joanne Bollish's son), Margaret Baxa, Loretta Pilakowski, Pat Sexton, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

Birthdays: 5/25 - Dolores Kosmicki, 5/27 - Leo Hampton,

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... The disciples gathered on the fiftieth day after the Resurrection were not keeping their first Pentecost. For them, Pentecost was the fiftieth day after Passover, a feast of the first fruits of the harvest. It was the second most important feast of the year. Today, Jews gather on the eve of the feast to study scripture and the law, and after the feast begins at sundown, spend the day in joyful social gatherings. The meaning of the celebration is the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, so for Christians the connection to the gifts of the Holy Spirit is obvious. In Sicily and in the Pantheon in Rome, today the descent of the Holy Spirit is enacted with a stunning ritual. Some churches there have an "eye" in the roof open to the sky, called an oculus. After the Gospel today, thousands of rose petals fall from the oculus onto the assembly. Churches and homes are decked in greenery and flowers to express the new life the Holy Spirit brings on this, the "birthday of the church." —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

ALL ARE SENT ... Fifty days after Easter Sunday we celebrate the fulfillment of all God's promises in the feast of Pentecost, a feast that has sometimes been called the birthday of the church. One last time we are reminded that we Christians have received the Holy Spirit, not for our own benefit, but to enable us to follow our Christian vocation.

The centerpiece of the scriptures for Pentecost is the account in Acts of the Apostles of the sending of the Holy Spirit to the disciples. The other readings for this Sunday help us to understand what it means to live out our Christian vocation. Paul's letter shows us the gifts and fruits that the Holy Spirit gives to us. John's Gospel reminds us that Jesus has sent all his disciples to share his forgiveness and peace, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc

GUIDE US TODAY ... Holy Spirit, you who pointed out the way for your disciples to announce the gospel, we pray to you: As in the time of the apostles, guide today's messengers of the Good News.

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Pray for our Seminarians: *at St. Gregory the Great Seminary; at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary; at Mount St. Mary Seminary. Pray for the Priests teaching in the Seminary, the Formation faculty and staff.*

Pray for our Religious Sisters: *School Sisters of Christ the King, Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln, Sisters at the Carmel of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, Pink Sisters, Sisters of Mary, Queen of Mercy.*

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

(MAY): Evangelization: The Mission of the Laity - That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.