

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time *September 2, 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	Sept. 3	5:30 p.m.	John L. Sullivan +
Tuesday	Sept. 4	7:00 a.m.	Lucille Madsen +
Wednesday	Sept. 5	5:30 p.m.	Fr. Jim Novakowski +
Thursday	Sept. 6	8:00 a.m.	Frances Mary Portz +
Friday	Sept. 7	5:30 p.m.	Martha Burbach +
		<i>followed by:</i>	<i>Exposition of Blessed Sacrament & all night Adoration</i>
Saturday	Sept. 8	9:00 a.m.	1 st Friday Holy Hour & Benediction
		5:00 p.m.	Jim Toner +
Sunday	Sept. 9	10:00 a.m.	People of our Parish

INTENTIONS

*Humbly welcome the
word that has been
planted in you and is
able to save your souls.*

— James 1:21b

Stewardship: August 26, 2018

Adult Envelopes:\$1,923.00
Loose Plate:.....\$266.00
Children:.....\$3.00
Holy Day ():..... \$0.00
Total:..... \$2,192.00

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:\$958,770.00
 Gifts last week:\$580.00
Total Gifts Received:.....\$699,878.05
 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:.....\$1,513,860.04
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... \$238,638.28

Parish Calendar

Sunday	Sept. 2		NO CCD Classes (due to Labor Day Weekend)
Friday	Sept. 7		First Friday Holy Hours (from Friday 6:00pm Exposition – 9:00am Holy Hour on Sat)
Sunday	Sept. 9	11:00am	Knights of Columbus Breakfast – CCD CLASSES – 11:30am=Daughters of Charity
		7:00pm	Speaker Curtis Tomasevicz in Parish Hall Cursillo Ultreya (3:30pm=SEAS)
Monday	Sept. 10	7:00pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting in Parish Hall
Wednesday	Sept. 12	7:00pm	First RCIA Class (Diocesan Parish Computer Workshop in Lincoln; 8:00am-3:15pmCT)

Catholic School News:

Reminder no school on Monday, September 3rd due to the Labor Day Holiday!

May you all have a Safe and Enjoyable Labor Day Weekend!

Up with People - Please go online to purchase your tickets for the Up With People Shows on **Thursday, Sept 6th 7pm** or **Sunday Sept 9 2pm and 7pm**. Our NPCS Endowment is one of the beneficiaries of this organization so please take time to see this amazing group of young adults perform at the Neville Center.

Irish rosary group - has started up once again. This is open to all Parents, Students, Faculty, and School Supporters. **Mondays and Wednesdays** will meet at the McDaid Chapel; **Tuesdays and Thursdays** will meet at the SPHS Chapel beginning at **7:30am**. Rosaries and Prayer Cards are provided.

Mark your calendars for G.R.E.E.N. 2018! - October 27 2018!! Purchase your tickets for G.R.E.E.N. online! www.bidpal.net/green2018

The Good News at NPCSI! - Give the Gift of LIFE! Join us for the NHS Blood Drive on **September 5th** at St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

North Platte Catholic School:

Faith and Knowledge for a Brighter Future

Without A Spouse ... will start our 12th year with a Pizza Party, **Sunday, Sept. 9** at St. Patrick Parish Hall, 12:00pm till ???. Pizza will be provided so please come and enjoy and plan for fun filled year.

The Bargain Bin ... is now open **Mondays** as well as **Tue - Sat 10am - 3pm**. Every 2nd Monday evening 5pm - 8pm continues to be a **BAG SALE** with the next one being **September 10**. 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!

Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life ... The Novena is **Friday, Aug. 3**, - **Friday, Sept. 28**. Please sign up for the Novena as part of the USCCB Call to Prayer at www.usccb.org/pray.

Daughters of Charity (Altar Society) Meeting ... will be **Sunday, Sep. 9, at 11:30am** in Rectory Conference Rm.

The Daughters of Charity ... will be having a **BOUTIQUE** in conjunction with our October **Pumpkin Festival**. We are asking those who are blessed with creative talents (husbands included), to contribute to our booth. It can be knitting, crocheting, embroidery, welding, woodworking, or wherever your talents may be. Making things takes time, so we are asking that you start (making) things now if possible. If you have questions, please call Alice Robinson (530-3114).

Indianola Deanery Fall Altar Society Meeting ... **Thursday, September 13, 2018** at St. Catherine Church, **Indianola**. 5:00pm=Executive Meeting; **6:00pm=Mass**, followed by dinner, followed by the full board meeting. All ladies are welcome & encouraged to attend. Please bring one of your favorite rosary's to share why it is special to you.

Breakfast by Knights of Columbus ... **Sunday, Sep. 9**, in the Parish Hall after 10:00am Mass; serving pancakes, eggs, fixings, biscuits & gravy, coffee & juices. Free Will offering accepted ... Proceeds go to the purchase of Missalettes.

Knights of Columbus Meeting ... **Mon., Sep. 10, 7:00pm**, Parish Hall. All Knights are invited to attend.

Spiritual Bouquet for Bishop Conley ... St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Daughters of Charity would like to gather and assemble a Spiritual Bouquet to be presented to Bishop Conley. In this time of strife it seems very appropriate to offer gifts of prayer, penance and devotion to Jesus who, suffering alongside us, will reveal Himself & guide us along the path to renewal, reconciliation & healing. Please join us in this important & prayerful effort. Signup sheets available Sat/Sun. Please consider giving generously of your prayers/devotions.

Put a Retreat into Your Schedule ... Please put a Retreat into your schedule this year! You can register at www.goodcounselretreat.com & receive immediate confirmation or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705 to register now.

September – June Schedule:

Sep 13-16..... Opus Sanctum Angelorum..... Men / Women
Work of the Holy Angels (4-Day)
Sep 27-30 Fr. Zachary, SOLT/Knights of Holy Eucharist .Men/Women
“Love Made Visible; Eucharistic Adoration Retreat”
Oct. 6-7 St. Gianna Physician’s Guild Men / Women
“For Catholic Doctors, Nurses, Medical Professionals & Students
Oct 19-21 Fr. Andrew Heaslip / Matt Simmons Men/Women
“Catechists Retreat for Educators, Teachers, Catechists & Parents”
Nov 2-4..... Fr. Craig Doty Men / Women
“Jesus, Please Heal Me (Pryaer Teams available)”
Nov 16-18..... Fr. Sean Kilcawley..... Men / Women
“Learning to Love from the Beloved Disciple”
Nov 30–Dec 2 Deacon James Keating Couples (Married/Engaged)
“Marriage & Intimacy: How God Wants to Secure Your Love”
Dec. 14-16 Bishop Conley & Fr. Coulter Men/Women
(The Mysteries of Christmas)
Jan 11-12 Fr. Lux & Fr. McGuire..... Women
(LDCCW Winter Symposium)
Jan 18-20 Fr. Eric Clark / Knights of Holy Eucharist Men
“Acolyte / Lector Retreat: Discipleship at the Foot of the Cross”
Feb 1-3..... Fr. William Holoubek Men / Women
“Unbound: Breaking Free from Spiritual Wounds”
Feb 15-17..... Sr. Ann Shields..... Men / Women
“Faith: More Precious than Gold”
Feb 22-24 Fr. Angelus Montgomery, CFR. Men/Women
“American Saints and Heroic Virtue”
Mar 8-10..... Fr. Karl Millis..... Men / Women
“St. Teresa of Avila in Light of the Joy of the Gospel”
Mar 18-21 Fr. Gary Coulter Men / Women
“Silent Directed Ignatian Retreat (Mon-Thur)”
Mar 22-24 Fr. Sean Timmerman..... Men / Women
“Awareness of Christ: the Rosary and the Eucharist”
Mar 29-31 Sharon Doran. Men / Women
“Scriptural Lenten Retreat on the Boundless Mercy of God”
April 18-20 Marian Sisters Young Women *Triduum Retreat*
May 10-11 Janette Howe 2 Day Retreat for Women
“In Quiet and Trust Your Strength Lies”
Summer 2019 8 Day Silent Ignatian Retreats... Men / Women
July 1-9; July 10-18 Fr. Dennis Brown, OMV

Women’s Resource Center 19th Annual Fundraising Banquet ...

Guest speaker: Claire Culwell. (Claire survived her birth mother’s abortion that took the life of her twin)
Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 6:30pm at Quality Inn & Suites, 2102 S Jeffers. Adults only, limited seating; Business attire.

- PRAY – For underwriters to fund expenses; For volunteers to be table hosts; For banquet planning team; For Claire’s preparation to speak
- SERVE – Be a member of the Event Planning Team
- DONATE – Become an underwriter
- HOST – Be a Table Host – fill a table of eight
- ATTEND – Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Save the Date for our Pro-Life Banquet and Conference! October 26, 2018 ...

Archbishop Lucas, Bishop Conley and Bishop Hanefeldt invite you to join them for the annual Bishop’s Pro-Life Banquet & Conference on Oct. 26! Our featured speaker for the banquet and conference is Dr. George Delgado, an Abortion Pill Reversal pioneer and Medical Director of Culture of Life Services (COLFS) in San Diego County. Please see flier on Narthex bulletin board. Registration details to follow.

“Things have gone too far ...” ... “In the United States abortion is legal throughout pregnancy. Yet abortion is a violation of human rights incomparable in magnitude and an atrocity for the whole human family. While Roe v. Wade appeared to create a right with some limitations, Doe v. Bolton, which was decided the same day, erased those limitations by creating a “health” exception so broad that it effectively allows abortion for any reason at any time ... Most Americans are surprised and shocked to learn about the lack of any meaningful legal limitations for abortion. Most know things have gone too far. Together with those from many other faith communities, we work to bring about a society that recognizes abortion for what it truly is” (*A Matter of the Heart -- A Statement of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on the Thirtieth Anniversary of Roe v. Wade*)

Religious Award Ceremony for Boys & Girls! ...

Scout, American Heritage Girl, Schoenstatt Youth and 4-H Leaders ... obtain your religious award books early so your group can get started on the requirements for their Catholic Religious Award! Girls materials are available from the Youth Ministry Office and boys materials can be purchased from your Local Cornhusker council office. The Diocesan Mass and Award Ceremony is scheduled for March 24, 2019 at 2:00pm with Bishop Finn presenting. Award applications are due to the Youth Ministry Office by Feb. 8, 2019. Visit www.lincolndiocese.org/scouting for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Michele at 402-473-0625.

A Prayer for the Church and Priests ... (*from Spirit Radio website*)

O my Jesus, I beg You on behalf of the whole Church: Grant it love and the light of Your Spirit and give power to the words of priests so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and return to You, O Lord.

Lord, give us holy priests; You Yourself maintain them in holiness. O Divine and Great High Priest, may the power of Your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil’s traps and snares which are continually being set for the souls of priests. May the power of Your mercy, O Lord, shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for You can do all things. I ask You, Jesus, for a special blessing and for light for the priests before whom I will make my confessions throughout my lifetime. Amen.

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

2018 Pumpkin Festival ... will be on **Sunday, October 14, 2018.** The Pumpkin Festival Committee will meet Sun. **09/02/18** to discuss preparations for the Pumpkin Festival. **Please pick up your Raffle Tickets packet and begin selling!**

Curtis Tomasevicz ... speaking at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall, **Sunday, September 9, 2018, 7:00pm-8:30pm.** He is currently a teacher at UNL, a former 2010 Olympic Bobsled Gold Medal winner, and a Catholic. Three main parts to his testimony: (1) centered on the start of my bobsledding career, (2) on my first crash, & (3) on my retirement. All have a spiritual component of overcoming fear & trusting in God’s providence. (www.TomaseviczBobsled.com)

RCIA Classes ... Fr. Mark Seiker will be leading an RCIA process (Inquiry class in the Faith) **beginning Sept. 12, 2018** until a few weeks after Easter (mid May 2019). Classes will usually be held on **Wednesdays in the Parish Hall from 7:00pm – 9:00pm.** These classes are open to Catholics and non-Catholics alike. **For Catholics, it is a good opportunity to learn more about your faith.** If you are interested call the Rectory or see Fr. Seiker. Begin praying and thinking about persons that you want to invite to study our faith with you. Our faith is to be treasured, preserved, and lived, but it is also to be shared ... share your faith with a friend by coming to these RCIA classes.

Fr. Seiker with Family in Lincoln ... Sun, Sep 2 – Mon, Sep 3.

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Sept. 8, 5:00pm	Sun., Sept. 9, 10:00am
Lector	Jim Nisley	Michael Lafleur
Acolyte	Jerry Volesky	Conrad Buhrman
Server	William Krondak	Jace Grunden
	Nicholas Krondak	Weston Hammond
Music	Matt & Ashley Perlinger	Choir
Gifts	Jim Griffin, Greg Vandenberg	Duane & Heather Johnson
Ushers	Jerry Beckius	Jeff Orr
	Sharon Beckius	Shane Lowrey
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30,
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Prayers for the sick: Leona Cloutre, Sherry Kahl (mother of Yvette Troyer), Mary Lou Robles & Patricia Zamora (sisters of Toni Barron), Kelly Henry (Mitch Gregg's sister), Peggy Fleecs, Patti Caudillo, Renate Nordquist, Sharon Beckius, John Kahl, Mike & Kim Paul, Eileen Boltz, Jim Beckius.

Prayers for the deceased: Virginia Waechter (Peggy Orr's mother), Mary Jane Vitt (Chris Behm's mother), Bob "Junior" Barron (Toni Barron's brother), Bernadine Torres, Father Jim Novakowski, Margaret Schuckert, Martha Burbach, Jerry Kenny (Charles/Toni Barron's son-in-law), Bernadine Duryea (Ben Heskett's mom), Luke Ranck, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

Birthdays: 9/2 - Lisa Cloutre, Megan Niesen, 9/5 - Leona Cloutre, 9/7 - Lynda Johnson, 9/9 - Ben Heskett.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedication directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the mensa, or "altar table." Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today's rite states a clear preference for "martyr," and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition's desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means "witness" in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ. From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn't count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr's tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a "cult") was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains "the seed of the Church." —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

THE HIGHEST LAW ... From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of "filler," various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others' attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all. —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

THE ORIGINAL CURRENCY ... Labor was the first price, the original purchase-money that was paid for all things. It was not by gold or by silver, but by labor, that all wealth of the world was originally purchased. —Adam Smith

FORGIVERS ... A happy marriage is a union of two good forgivers. —Anonymous

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: *Carmel of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph: Jr. Professed Novice: Sister Marie Elizabeth of the Trinity, from San Diego, CA; Jr. Professed Novice: Sister Marie Teresa of Jesus from Lexington, KY.*

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS ...

(September) Universal: Young People in Africa - That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.