

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ***September 9, 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. 10	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Sept. 11	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Sept. 12	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	Sept. 13	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Sept. 14	5:30 p.m.
		6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Sept. 15	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Sept. 16	10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Elli Fugate
Bernadine Torres +
-- NO Schedule Parish Mass -
Shirley Rieker
Spencer Bale
Holy Hour for Victims & Reparation
People of our Parish
Margaret Baxa +

*Did not God choose those
who are poor in the world
to be rich in faith and
heirs to the kingdom?*

— James 2:5

Stewardship: September 2, 2018

Adult Envelopes:\$1,730.00
Loose Plate:.....\$143.07
Children:.....\$0.00
Holy Day (Assumption): .. \$10.00
Total: \$1,883.07

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:\$958,770.00
Gifts last week:\$600.00
Total Gifts Received:.....**\$700,478.05**
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:.....\$1,517,730.04
Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... \$238,638.28

Parish Calendar

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	<u>First RCIA Class</u> (Diocesan Parish Computer Workshop in Lincoln; 8:00am-3:15pmCT)
Thursday	Sept. 13	6:00pm	<u>Indianola Deanery Fall Altar Society Meeting</u> (5:00pm=Exec mtg; 6:00pm Mass)

Catholic School News:

Up with People - Please go online to <https://upwithpeople.org/events/northplatte/> to purchase your tickets for the Up With People Shows on **Sunday Sept 9 2:00pm and 7:00pm**. 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 NPCSS!! - Senior, Isabel Roberg was selected as September Student of the Month. Isabel is involved in Cross Country, NHS, Speech, S.A.I.N.T.S. Letter Club, Chorus and Swing Choir. Isabel is the daughter of Kenny & Jane Roberg, who are active members of St. Patrick's Parish. Congratulations Isabel!

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, & full board meeting. All ladies are welcome & encouraged to attend. Please bring your favorite rosary 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.

Save the Date for our Pro-Life Banquet and Conference! October 26, 2018 ... Our featured speaker for the banquet and conference is Dr. George Delgado.

Holy Spirit Catholic Church Fall Festival ...

Sunday, Sep. 23, 11:00am – 2:00pm, 2801 West E St. A Turkey dinner with all of the trimmings! Come and enjoy time with family and friends. There is something for everyone!

- Children's activities: cake walk, Fun Jumpz
 - Silent Auction and Country Store
 - Raffle / Lottery with cash prizes of \$1000, \$500 and \$250
- Cost: \$8.00 for adults; \$5.00 for children.

Put a Retreat into Your Schedule ... You can register at www.goodcounselretreat.com & receive immediate confirmation or call Good Counsel Retreat House (402-786-2705).

September – March 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

Habitat for Humanity ... St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will provide the morning snacks & lunch for those working on the current house (2315 W 5th) on **Sat., Sept. 15**. We will need cookies & brownies for the morning snack (9-9:30am). Please call Toni Barron (530-9982) to help with this important community project.

Blue Mass ... The annual “Blue Mass” will be held at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln at **11:00am on Tuesday, September 11**. Msgr. Joseph Nemecek will be the celebrant. Hosted by the Lincoln 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, this Mass is held in honor of all active, deceased and retired law enforcement, fire and rescue, and corrections personnel. All are invited to come and pray for the individuals who do so much to keep everyone safe.

From the Catechism ... CCC 2270 Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person – among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life. “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you” (*Jer 1:5; cf Job 10:8-12; Ps 22:10-11*). “My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately wrought in the depths of the earth” (*Ps. 139:15*). **CCC 2271** Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law: “You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish” (*Didache 2, 2*).

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!

Western Nebraska Community for Life ...

PRAYER GATHERING Tuesday, Sept 11 at 7:00pm
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church 3301 Echo Drive

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. Visit www.lincolndiocese.org/scouting for more info. If you have any questions, contact Michele (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. **09/16/18**. Please pick up your Raffle Tickets 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. You have been praying about persons to invite to study our faith with you, now invite them! Our faith is to be treasured, preserved, & lived, and also to be shared ... share your faith with a friend by coming to these RCIA classes.

Fr. Seiker at Diocesan Computer Workshop ... Wed, Sep. 12, thus there will NOT be a 5:30pm Wed Mass. There will be RCIA!

Special Eucharistic Holy Hour on Friday, Sept. 14 ... Bishop Conley will be having a Holy Hour at the Cathedral on Friday evening, Sept. 14, the Feast of the Exaltation (Triumph) of the Cross, **to pray for victims of sexual abuse and to make reparation for these sins.** Since many might not be able to go to Lincoln to join in the Holy Hour, we will have a Holy Hour here (**6:00pm – 7:00pm**).

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Sept. 15, 5:00pm	Sun., Sept. 16, 10:00am
Lector	Mike Krondak	Shane Lowrey
Acolyte	Jerry Volesky	Duane Johnsen
Server	Volunteer	Lakeland Lowrey
	Volunteer	Harmon Johnsen
Music	Volunteer	Greg Vandenberg
Gifts	Don & Sheila Exner	Marcie Minchow, Jan Daniel
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Volunteer
	Alice Robinson	Spencer Hampton
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3,13-14ab,23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2,34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13,17-18; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6,8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Prayers for the sick: Leona Clouatre, 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, Martha Burbach, Jerry Kenny(Charles/Toni Barron's son-in-law), Bernadine Duryea (Ben Heskett's mom), Luke Ranck, Margaret Baxa, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

Birthdays: 9/9 - Ben Heskett, 9/11 - Rhett Morlang, 9/12 - Lyuba Hendricks, Jane Schmid, Randy Nordquist.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... Back to work we go! Summer break is over and there is much to accomplish in school and in the workplace. It's a venerable Catholic custom to assign patron saints to the trades and occupations of life. This is largely in the realm of popular devotion, and although from time to time the Vatican declares a saint to be patron of this or that, the process is free-wheeling and just about uncontrollable. Still, there is a saint for almost any purpose, whether you are on death row (Dismas), having eye trouble (Lucy), or pursued by poisonous toads (Hubert). Medieval guilds would often associate themselves with heavenly patrons, so Saint Joseph has the carpenters, Thomas More the lawyers, and physicians get Saint Luke. If you're stuck in the airport, St. Joseph of Cupertino is on call since he was said to rise off the floor when he prayed, and if you're in a long line at the ATM, Saint Anthony Claret is for you. In recent years, the Vatican has from time to time assigned a new patronage, as when Saint Aloysius Gonzaga was named the patron of HIV-AIDS patients, since as a young Jesuit novice he had cared for his fellow novices during a terrible plague. Anything that matters to us – nation, parish church, occupation, illness – can have a patron, and it is an aspect of Catholicism that has enormous appeal. To believe in the "communion of saints" is to know that the ties that bind us as a communion do not unravel with death, and that when we stand before life's struggles, we do not stand alone. Who is your patron saint? —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

SEE BEYOND OUTWARD APPEARANCES ... The phrase "Sunday best" has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it's a healthy sign that we're as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. No matter which school of thought on this topic we belong to, James would probably chastise us. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man's origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark's Gospel all call us to look more deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.

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EDUCATION ... The things taught in schools and colleges are not an education, but the means of an education.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

THOUGHTS ... The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts. —Marcus Aurelius

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 Margaret Anne of the Sacred Heart of Jesus from Kansas City, KS; Novice: Sister Mary of Jesus Crucified from Kansas City, KS.

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.