# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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# 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2017

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 <u>8:30 a.m.</u> 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<br/>MondayINTENTIONSMondayNov. 138:00 a.m.Margaret Baxa +TuesdayNov. 147:00 a.m.Anna Lee

Tuesday Nov. 14 7:00 a.m. Wednesday Nov. 15 5:30 p.m.

Thursday Nov. 16 8:00 a.m. Elizabeth (Liz) Haag

Friday Nov. 17 <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Mark Stadler Saturday Nov. 18 **5:00 p.m.** People of Our Parish

Sunday Nov. 19 **10:00 a.m.** Brandon Niesen

"Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

— Matthew 25:13

## Stewardship: November 5, 2017

Matt Irish

 Adult Envelopes:
 \$1,821.00

 Loose Plate:
 \$207.34

 Children:
 \$0.00

 Total:
 \$2,028.34

 Joy of the Gospel Campaign

 Total Pledged:
 \$958,770.00

 Gifts last week:
 \$611.97

 Total Gifts Received:
 \$583,914.00

 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:
 \$1,379,295.04

 Balance on DIAL LOAN:
 \$368,758.78

Propagation of Faith: ......\$70.00
All Saints Day: .....\$419.00

LastWk Donations "Farm" Sewer. ....\$0.00
Total Donations "Farm" Sewer ....\$2,955.00

#### Parish Calendar

Sunday	Nov. 12	11:00am	CCD Classes	11:00am Knights of Columbus Breakfast in Parish Hall.
Tuesday	Nov. 14	7:00pm	<b>True Reformers</b> :	Saints of the Catholic Reformation. #6: "St. Francis de Sales"
Wednesday	Nov. 15	7:00pm	RCIA Class	(Indianola Deanery Priests Meeting)
Thursday	Nov. 16	7:00pm	<b>True Reformers:</b>	Saints of the Catholic Reformation. #6: "St. Francis de Sales"
Friday-Sunday	Nov. 17-19	TEĆ (T	eens Encounter Ch	rist) Weekend in McCook for High School Juniors & Seniors.
Sunday	Nov. 19	11:00am	CCD Classes	

#### **Catholic School News:**

Hurricane Relief ... Students at NPCS recently raised funds for Hurricane Relief by holding a Spirit Wear Day and collecting cash in place of the 50/50 at the Friday Night Hershey Game. Students raised over \$500 to benefit Hurricane victims. Thank you all who helped raise funds for this worthy cause.

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#### Juniors & Seniors - Come on a TEC

**Retreat!** ... Take a weekend for yourself as an opportunity to encounter Christ with other teens. The next retreat is **Nov. 17-19 in McCook**. For more info or to register: www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec.

<u>Church Magnets</u> ... This year, as part of our Pumpkin Festival, we handed out magnets with <u>prayers before meals</u> and <u>prayers after meals</u>. There are also magnets with an <u>image of our church, address, phone number, website, and Mass times</u>. They are located on the table in the Narthex.

<u>Pro-Life Diaper Drive</u> ... The LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive will continue until Thanksgiving ... you still have an opportunity to donate this week! Thanks to those who already donated.

Evening Bargain Bin Bag Sales ... have been a huge success! For all of you who can't make it to the Bargain Bin during regular business hours, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month will be an evening BAG SALE. Regular business hours are Tue. – Sat. 10:00am – 3:00pm. Daytime Bag Sales are 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of each month. (421 E 3<sup>rd</sup> St) If those dates fall on a Sunday or Mon, it will be the preceding Saturday. Thank you to all of our generous donors and volunteers!

Knights of Columbus Meeting ... Mon, Nov. 13, 7:00pm, Parish Hall. All Knights are invited to attend.

<u>Breakfast by Knights of Columbus</u> ... <u>Sunday,</u> <u>Nov. 12</u>, 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.

**Keep Christ in Christmas!** The Knights of Columbus will sell religious Christmas cards after Mass for the next few Weekends. The supply is limited. Send your relatives and friends a card that expresses the true meaning of the Christmas season.

PRAYER TO ST MONICA ... The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women has designated the month of November to the Indianola Deanery Council for prayers to St. Monica. We offer our prayers through St. Monica's intercession for the spiritual and physical safety of our children. Please take time and pray this prayer each day during November.

#### PRAYER TO ST. MONICA

O God, You are the comfort of those who mourn and the savior of all who trust in You. Blessed Monica's loving tears moved You to convert her son, Augustine. Help us who pray to You for the salvation of our sons and daughters, too. May we also grieve for our own sins and win the grace of Your pardon through the intercession of this loving Saint, through Christ our Lord. Amen

St. Monica, Pray For Us!

Parish Council Meeting ... Mon Nov. 20, 7:00pm, Rectory Conference Room. (Members: Jerry Beckius, Shane Lowrey, Philip Heimann, Jim Nisley. Trustees: Jerry Volesky, Duane Johnsen).

# Western Nebraska Community for Life ... PRAYER GATHERING Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 7:00pm

St. Patrick Church 415 N Chestnut
For more information call Ed at 534-9211.

Cardinal Bernardin on Life ... "Not all values, however, are of equal weight. Some are more fundamental than others. I wish to emphasize that no earthly value is more fundamental than human life itself. Human life is the condition for enjoying freedom and all other values. Consequently, if one must choose between protecting or serving lesser human values that depend upon life for their existence and life itself, human life must take precedence. Today the recognition of human life as a fundamental value is threatened. Nowhere is this clearer than in the case of elective abortion." (Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, "Deciding for Life," October 1, 1989).

**PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD** ... "It is a holy & pious thought to pray for the dead." (2 Macc 12:45). One of the corporal works of mercy is to pray for the dead. Those persons whom we have loved during their life here on earth, we should still remember to pray for after they have died. The best prayer of all is the Mass. Envelopes are available at the Bulletin Board in the Narthex to request Masses to be offered for the repose of the soul of any of your loved ones. The usual Mass stipend is \$10.00. Simply write the name of the deceased person on the envelope and your name and enclose \$10.00. If you write a check, please make it payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church and write "Mass Stipend" in the memo. The Mass intentions are listed in the Bulletin. Pray for the dead!

#### CCD Information ... Nov. - Dec. Schedule

Nov. 12 <u>CCD Class</u> (regular schedule) Nov. 19 <u>CCD Class</u> (regular schedule)

Nov. 26 NO Class (due to Thanksgiving Vacation)

Dec. 3 CCD Class (regular schedule)

**Dec. 10** NO Class (due to McDaid Christmas Program)

**Dec. 17** NO Class (due to Church Decorating)

**Dec. 24** NO Class (due to Christmas Vacation)

<u>Put a Retreat into Your Schedule</u> ... register at www.goodcounselretreat.com & receive immediate confirmation or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705 to register now.

<u>November – April</u> Schedule:

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Nov 17-19 Fr. Steve Thomlison Men / Women
"Seven Sorrows of Mary"
Dec 1-3 Bishop Robert Finn Men / Women
"Baptize, Teach, and Know I am with You" (Catechists)
Dec. 15-17 Bishop Conley & Fr. Coulter Men /Women
(Advent Retreat)
Jan 12-13 Fr. Lux & Fr. McGuire
(LDCCW Winter Symposium)
Jan 19-21 Fr. William Holoubek Men / Women
"Unbound: Breaking Free from Spiritual Wounds"
Feb 2-4 Fr. Joseph Walsh Men / Women
"Stewardship: Sharing the Master's Joy (Mt 15:21)"
Feb 14Women
Feb 14
Feb 16-18 Fr. Sean KilcawleyWomen
"Divine Daughterhood / Merciful Motherhood"
Feb 23-25 Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz Men
"Lenten Outlooks on Pleasure, Power, and Possessions"
Mar 2-4 Fr. Joseph Faulkner Men / Women
"The Bible lets you talk to God better"
Mar 16-18 Magnificat with Susan Potvin Women
"Life in the Spirit Retreat"
Mar 19-22 Fr. Gary Coulter Men / Women
"Silent Directed Ignatian Retreat (Mon-Thur)"
Mar 23-25 Fr. Robert Young, O.F.M Men / Women
"Finding Peace in the Will of God"
Mar 29-31 Marian Sisters
Triduum Retreat
Apr 6-8 Fr. Christopher Kubat Men / Women
"Divine Mercy Weekend"
Apr 20-22 Fr. Benjamin Holdren Men / Women
"Deepening your Prayer Life"

Magnificat Brunch ... Sat, Dec. 9, 2017 9:00amMT, Quality Inn Hotel, 201 Chuckwagon Road, Ogallala (off 1-80 exit #126). You're invited for a morning of sustaining faith to hear Sr. Mary Brigid's faith journey as Sister, mother & grandmother.

Sr. Mary Brigid was born in Brooklyn, NY and moved to Colorado in the 6th grade. She has degrees in Agronomy and Bioagricultural Sciences. She was briefly a farmer's wife, which was not her vocation and went on to a career as a research scientist and business development in biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries. She traveled globally but decades later felt a calling that first tugged on her as a teenager  $\dots$  the religious life. She first entered as an Augustinian Sister in 2012 but discerned out to enter consecrated life in Steubenville, OH, where she is Director of Stewardship and Development with the Diocese of Steubenville. Reservations Required. Send \$15.00 check or money order to Julie Box 142, Madrid, NE 69150, 308-326-4475, isestak1971@vahoo.com

True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation ... during Oct. & Nov., join in a Study by Dr. Christopher Blum (from Augustine Institute) in Parish Hall on Mondays / Tuesdays OR Thursdays. This is a great opportunity to better understand what happened 500 years ago and to apply it to our own times.

	7:00pm – 8:15 or 8:30pm	7:00pm	7:00pm
#6	Saint Francis de Sales:	Tuesday	Thursday
	Pastor of Souls	Nov. 14	Nov. 16

**Pumpkin Festival Follow-up Meeting** ... will be in a week or so ... the Committee would like at least one member from each of the Food Booths and other booths to be present for the meeting as we make plans for our next Pumpkin Festival, suggestions are good.

#### FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

**Thanksgiving** ... in 1½ weeks, we celebrate Thanksgiving. The word "Eucharist" means "Thanksgiving". Every time we are present at Mass, we are expressing our thanks to the Father for the gift of the Body, Blood, Soul, & Divinity of His Son Jesus in the Eucharist. So, every day that we are at Mass is Thanksgiving Day in a sense.

Thanksgiving Masses ... there will be a 7:30pm Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday evening and a 9:00am Mass on Thanksgiving Day. This year, you do NOT NEED to bring a Pie ... we have Donated Pumpkin Pies. Come & join in a Parish get-together after the 7:30pm Wed. Mass. PIES, Drinks & home made ice cream provided. Thank the Lord with your fellow parishioners.

<u>CONTEMPLATIVE SISTERS</u> (Pink Sisters & Carmelite Sisters) COLLECTION ... For over forty-four years now, our Diocese has been blessed to have a Religious Community of Sisters who spend the greatest part of their day before the Blessed Sacrament in their Chapel, praying for us. This community is affectionately known as the Pink Sisters, since the color of their religious habit is pink! It has been a custom in our Diocese to express our thanks to the Pink Sisters by taking up a <u>special collection on Thanksgiving Day</u> for the Pink Sisters. In the last seventeen years, our Diocese has been blessed with another contemplative community of religious Sisters, the Carmelites, whose Convent is near Valparaiso. Please help to financially support both these communities who are spiritually supporting us with their prayers!

RCIA Classes ... RCIA (Inquiry class) Wed. in Parish Hall, 7:00–9:00pm. For Catholics/non-Catholics. It's not too late to join.

Holy Land Pilgrimage ... Steve & Janet Ray, Jesse Romero & Fr. Mark Seiker invite you on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Wed, May 8 – Fri., May 17, 2019. The brochures are not available yet, but dates are set ... plan ahead for a great Pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Nov. 18, 5:00pm	Sun., Nov. 19, 10:00am	Readings for the Week	
Lector	Jerry Beckius	Shane Lowrey	Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6	
Acolyte	Jerry Volesky	Duane Johnsen		Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10 Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19 Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25 Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37 Wis 18:14-16;19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3,36-37,42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
Server	Volunteer	Lakeland Lowrey	<b>3</b>	
	Volunteer	Harmon Johnsen	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Music	Volunteer	Matt & Ashley Perlinger	Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-3	
Gifts	Melissa Johnson	Mitch & Diane Gregg		
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Volunteer		
	Alice Robinson	Charles Barron	Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:	
			1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30	

<u>Prayers for the sick</u>: Luke Ranck, Patti Caudillo, Leona Clouatre, Renate Nordquist, Julie (Kellogg) Buehler (Molly Walz's aunt), David Swayne (Robin Bartlett's friend), Jerry Steffes, Virginia Waechter (mother of Peggy Orr), Sharon Beckius, Frank Schneweis (Emily Krondak's father), John Kahl, Mike & Kim Paul, Special Intention, Kade Folchert (grandson of Bob Folchert), Margaret Schuckert, Ella Ochoa, Eileen Boltz, Jim Beckius.

<u>Prayers for the deceased</u>: Margaret Baxa, Betty Ganzel (Mike Krondak's grandmother), Bradley Folchert (nephew of Bob Folchert), Virgil Einsphar (grandfather of Derek Bantam), Loretta Pilakowski, Pat Sexton, Norma Pfeiffer (Shane Lowrey's grandmother), Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius, Sheryl Darpoli, Lonnie Schmid (Jon Schmid's brother).

**Birthdays:** 11/11 - Chase Clouatre, Ron Jones, George Kucera, 11/13 - Mitch Gregg, Addison Belgum, 11/14 - Brandon Niesen, 11/15 - Nicholas Volesky, 11/17 - Robert Folchert, 11/18 - Lia Werle.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... We had sixteen hundred years' experience with one Eucharistic Prayer in our repertoire, and the liturgical reforms of the Council of Trent shaped the way we worshiped for four hundred years. In the last years of the Tridentine Mass, the early 1960s, we tended to see children as miniature adults. Fully rooted in the Sunday assembly by the decision of Pope Saint Pius X to push Communion back to the age of seven or so from the standard age of twelve to fourteen years during the early 1900s, children were still more tolerated than acknowledged. The Mass was in Latin, and by the 1960s the people had begun to regain their voices in the "dialogue Mass," so the focus was on training little children to recite or sing in Latin.

The new attention to the experience of children, their ability to enter into ritual, their spontaneity, their ability to grasp key concepts in faith, felt "untraditional." Yet we can trace in our tradition the ways in which children have long been given a special place in the assembly. From earliest times, boys have served in choirs and certain ministries in monasteries and in parish churches. Girls were sometimes entrusted to nuns, learning liturgical chants and the arts. Yet, in our day, the formation of a Lectionary for children and Eucharistic Prayers suited to them are truly tremendous breakthroughs in our treasury of prayer. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

<u>WISDOM</u> ... We consider wisdom today. The first reading from the book of Wisdom presents this precious gift as a feminine spirit, a very desirable virtue sought by many and graciously present to all who seek her. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to illustrate wisdom in a practical, measurable way. The wise will conserve their resources, use them prudently, and mark the passing of time. The foolish, on the other hand, not planning ahead, will be in the dark. Both of these readings tell us how accessible wisdom is to all who simply and honestly seek it.

Paul's words to the Thessalonians are not about wisdom, but describe one result of true wisdom: To the wise person of faith even death holds no terror. Our faith in Jesus' resurrection tells us we will all one day rise to new life in Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

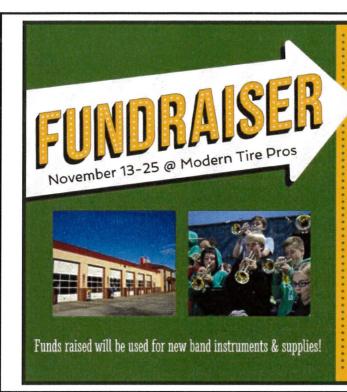
<u>I CAN DO ANYTHING</u> ... I have started houses with no more than the price of a loaf of bread and prayers, for with him who comforts me, I can do anything. —Frances Xavier Cabrini

THE GAP ... It's interesting that there is such a huge gap between advice and help. —Anonymous

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

#### **HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (November):**

<u>Christians in Asia:</u> That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.



\*Must present this coupon Nov. 13th-25th

Get your oil changed at Modern Tire Pros/Mobil 1 Lube and support NP Catholic Schools!

>>1402 S. Jeffers, 532-1213 8:00 a.m. -- 5:30 p.m. <<

\$30 from every oil change donated back to NPCS for band & music!



This Oil Change Fundraiser will benefit the NPCS Irish Music Department. Help us earn some money by Getting your Oil Changed between Nov. 13-25th.

IRISH Musicians will be performing live on Monday between 8am-9am.



COUPON IS GOOD NOV. 13TH - 25TH

#### It's timæ the Annual TURKEY TROT!

#### FAMILY 1mile / 5K-**TURKEY TROT**:

Thursday, November 23rd att 8:30AM at Rec Center.

Please see Sycamore or stop in at School for a registration form. Packet and Pick-up & Race Day Registration begins at 7:30AM. The individual 5k Registration is \$25 and includes a t-shirt. drink and refreshments.

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Thursday, November 23, 2017 8:30 a.m.

**Rec Center** 

1300 McDonald Rd., North Platte, NE 69101 Packet Pick-up & Race Day Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

Individual SK Registration Fee: \$25.00 Includes one T-shirt, Drinks, and Refre

Family 1 mile Registration Fee: \$25.00 Each family is given one race number, and will run the race as a team

litional T-shirts can be ordered on the paper entry for \$15 per T-shirt Questions? Ann Marie Blakely at ennmarieblakely@yahoo.com

Address: Phone #: Individual Sk, \$25 Male Female Family 1 mile. \$25 (One shirt included) # of additional shirts

If under 19 Parent/Guardian Signature Required. Checks Pavable to SK Turkey Trot

Return registrations to St. Pat's High School Office, 500 S. Silber

or Rec. Center, 1300 McDonald Rd.

## NPCS BOARD

Congratulations to Kim Schroll of Holy Spirit Parish and Cassie Condon of St. Patrick's Parish for being elected to the NP Catholic Schools Board of Education. Our newest members will be seated at the next meeting.

Upcoming Dates to Remember: Senior Retreat- Nov 12-14th Nov. 14th-6th Gr. D.A.R.E. Grad Nov. 16th JH Girls Bball vs McCook Nov. 17th-JH Wr @ Mullen Nov. 20th-SPVA Play Production @Kimball Nov. 21st-4pm IH G-Bball vs NPMS

4:00-JH Wrestling @ Perkins Co. 7:00-School board Mtg Nov. 22nd-llam Play Performance

Noon Dismissal



IRISH }}On Campus{{ Rosary Group will begin at 7:30am starting November 6th. The Rosary will be prayed on the 1st Monday at McDaid Chapel; 2nd Tuesday at St. Pat's Chapel; 3rd Wednesday at McDaid Chapel; 4th Thursday at St. Pat's Chapel. All School Supporters are Welcome! Rosaries and prayer cards provided.

