## ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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## 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 21, 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 <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 INTENTIONS Oct. 22 Monday Luke Ranck + 8:00 a.m. **Tuesday** Oct. 23 5:30 p.m. John L. Sullivan + Wednesday Oct. 24 5:30 p.m. Catherine Tickle Oct. 25 8:00 a.m. Bob "Junior" Barron + Thursday Friday Oct. 26 Martha Burbach + 12:10 p.m. Oct. 27 5:00 p.m. Saturday People of our Parish Sunday Oct. 28 10:00 a.m. Jeanne Cooper +

Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.

— Isaiah 53:11b

#### Stewardship: October 14, 2018

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\$149.25
\$0.00
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\$4,429.25

Joy of the Gospel Campaign				
Total Pledged:	\$958,770.00			
Gifts last week:	\$50.00			
Total Gifts Received:	\$704,943.0 <u>5</u>			
Origina DIAL Loan:	1,485,000.00			
Total Received (CTTF Camp):	\$1,025,440.07			
Misc Donations Received:	\$739,940.31			
Total Payments on Loan:	\$1,525,980.04			
Balance on DIAL LOAN:	\$234,388.28			

#### Parish Calendar

Sunday	Oct. 21	11:00am	<b>CCD CLASSES</b>
Wednesday	Oct. 24	7:00pm	RCIA Class
Sunday	Oct. 28	11:00am	CCD CLASSES

7:00pm Theology on Tap (Bishop James Conley speaking)

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

Find a full list of activities or follow our IRISH as they compete ... follow North Platte Catholic Schools on Facebook or visit <a href="http://npcschools.org">http://npcschools.org</a>.

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 This is the Endowment's largest (and most fun) Fundraiser of the year! Your ticket to G.R.E.E.N. includes a wonderful meal, silent and live auctions, games, prizes, and an amazing dueling pianos show with Fun Pianos! \*The Endowment is also collecting (new) items for the Silent & Live auctions. If you have an item, or an idea for one, please contact the Endowment! Volunteers are also needed to help with the event!

October Rosary Dates: Thu. 10/25 - @ SPHS. Rosary begins at 7:30AM \*Rosaries Provided

November Rosary Dates: Mon-11/5, Tue-11/13, Wed-11/21, Thu-11/29

#### The Good News at NPCS!!

Lady IRISH Cross Country Team Take Districts and head to STATE!! - Ashley Tolstedt, Ashley Dye, Isabel Roberg, Kate Stienike, Kelsey Folchert, Gracie Rippen, Genna Blakely, Marinn Niesen, Julie Slattery, Olivia Huff, Isa Caudillo, Ellie Granger, Hayley Miles. On the boys' side Logan O'Malley will be representing the IRISH! -

**Upcoming Events** 

Mon. 10/22 – 6:00pm Best of West Concert @ Mid-Plains Community College Theater. We have several IRISH Musicians that were selected to be a part of this honored group.

Band: Mick Ekdahl, Ellie Granger, Genna Blakely, Megan Jarvis, Patrick O'Neill, Nathan Moats, Cassie Brown, Ashtyn Winder Chorus: Kateri Noffsinger, Hayley Miles, Isa Caudillo, Julie Slattery, Andrew Lindemeier, Sanuel Dekleva, Trayton White, Alex Davies

<u>Wed. 10/24</u> - <u>7:00pm</u> SPHS Fall Concert @ McGahan Activities Center

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

Turkey Dinner ... at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall, Sutherland, Sunday, October 28th from 11:30am – 1:30pmcst. Preschool children eat for free, ages 5 – 10 are \$4.00, and adults eat for \$8.00. This event also includes a Bake Sale and Raffle. Carryouts are also available (call 308-386-8554 or 308-386-8472).

The Nebraska Pride Sweet Adeline Chorus ... will be performing their fall show titled, "A Harmony Salute to the USO", Sunday, October 21 at the North Platte High School at 2:00pm. They will be performing patriotic songs and songs popular during that time period, such as "The Armed Forces Medley", "God Bless the USA", "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree" and "That Old Soft Shoe". Storm Front, an International award-winning men's barbershop quartet are their special guests. They are funny, fun, and very good. Tickets are available at Westfield Pharmacy. Adults are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Students are \$5 and age 5 and under are free. Come join us as we salute our veterans – past and present!

"Theology on Tap" ... for single & married adults in their 20's & 30's. Join us <u>Sun.</u>, <u>Oct. 28</u> as <u>Bishop James Conley</u> joins us. Start time: 6:30pm-7:00pm social time, with presentation starting at 7:00pm. Knights of Columbus Hall (515 E 5<sup>th</sup> St).

**Pro-Life Diaper Drive ...** The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) is sponsoring the 9th Annual October Pro-Life Diaper Drive, collecting diapers throughout the month of October in each of the Lincoln Diocese parishes. One of the non-truths in the abortion debate is the notion that pro-life advocates care about the child in the womb and do nothing for pregnant women or for the children once born. The Diaper Drive is a great opportunity to support the women that choose life rather than abortion. Let's all work together to make this Pro-Life Diaper Drive a great success Diaper sizes 4, 5 and 6 are most Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive needed. announcements. At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, we are collecting diapers for Women's Resource Center in North Platte. donations or checks made to Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) are accepted; should be mailed to LDCCW President, Kay Wessel, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404.

# Pro-Life Banquet & Conference! 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. Register this Week!

**2018 PUMPKIN FESTIVAL Report** ... Many have asked how we did on the Pumpkin Festival. We haven't received all of the bills yet, so the net profit is not known. However, the very preliminary gross income is about \$8,800.00 (which is about \$9,700 less than last year, \$10,900 less than 2 years ago; \$11,500 less than 3 years ago.) There was good weather for the set-up on Saturday. However, the weather on Sunday was cold and we were challenged by the "dusting of snow" that we received during the night. Some guess the "visiting crowd" was only 1/4-1/3 of a normal year; the weather was probably a factor in a reduced number of persons coming to our Pumpkin Festival. There were a few games and/or booths which were not in operation due to the weather; some were moved to the Hall. However, through all of it, our parishioners worked together well & welcomed visitors to our Pumpkin Festival.

Thanks to the committee: Cindy Swanson (Publicity Chair), Spencer & Tiffany Hampton (Games Chairs), Ed Rieker & Jim & Shirley Nisley (Silent Auction Co-Chairs), Chuck Burr (Raffle Chair), and Alice Robinson (Food Booths Chair), for the gift of their time and efforts. There are many persons who gave many hours of their time this year as they have many years before, throughout the year and especially on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, preparing for the Pumpkin Festival, setting up, donating food & craft items, silent auction and raffle ticket items, selling raffle tickets, working during the event, & cleaning up after. Thank you, Thank you!

It was a good Pumpkin Festival, not just because we made some money, but more importantly because we worked together as a Parish Family! Many people used the opportunity to talk to their neighbors (those persons next to them at various times throughout the day) about our Lord or about our faith. May the Lord continue to draw us closer to Himself & to one another in all that we do!

Raffle prize winners are listed below. A complete financial report will be given when the bills are paid. Again this year, 10% of Pumpkin Festival net profit will be donated to charity: 5% to Women's Resource Center and 5% to Youth from our Parish going to a Retreat or WYD.

#### Pumpkin Festival: Raffle Winners:

Prize (Donor)	<u>Winner</u>
½ oz. of Gold	Jerry Steffes
1/4 Beef & Processing (Bob/Tracy Ryland)	Mary Frary
\$250.00 Cash	Todd Turner
Canyon 55 Cooler (Reiny Burbach)	. Heath Morlang
\$200 Grocery Certificate (Jerry/Teri Volesky)	Amy Good
½ Hog & Processing (Chuck/Kathy Burr)	Dave Barker
\$150.00 Visa Gift Card (NebraskaLand Bank)	Mary Frary
Metal Art (Troyer Enterprises Inc) Kevin &	Denise Burbach
Two Fire Extinguishers (Nebraska Safety & Fire).	Tyler Behm
NE/Illinois Football Tickets (Jerry/Teri Volesky)	Meg Tasler

## <u>Daughters of Charity: Quilt Raffle Winner:</u> Prize Winner

80" x 80" "Radiant Star" pattern (Alice Robinson) Karen Brogan

"Imposing" Values ... "Religious faith has long been a cornerstone of the American experience. From the Mayflower Compact, which begins "In the name of God, Amen," to our Declaration of Independence, we hear loud echoes of our faith in God. It finds expression in our deepseated conviction that we have unalienable rights from "Nature and Nature's God." ... To speak out against racial discrimination, social injustice or threats to the dignity of life is not to force values upon society, but rather to call our society to its own, long-accepted, moral principles and commitment to defend basic human rights, which is the function of law." - Most Rev. Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, in homily at Red Mass, October 1, 2006.

#### Election Day in Nebraska is approaching! ...

The Nebraska Catholic Conference wanted to give you an easy-to-use tool to help you be informed and get prepared to hit the ballot box on November 6. If you haven't registered to vote, you may do so in person by Friday, October 26.

We invited all candidates for the upcoming election to answer 14 questions indicating their support or opposition on important issues facing our state and nation. We also gave them an opportunity to offer comments and a special message to you, the Catholic Voter. Visit our Nebraska Catholic Voter Guide online at https://www.nebraskacatholicvoter.com/.

A diocesan-specific guide was recently printed in the October 12 issue of the Southern Nebraska Register. It will also be printed in upcoming issues of the Western Nebraska Register and the Catholic Voice.

We hope this is a valuable resource for you as you prepare to vote on Nov. 6 (or before then if you are voting early!). Please contact our office (402-477-7517) with any questions. Tom Venzor (Executive Director Nebraska Catholic Conference

Seven Sisters Apostolate ... 2nd Annual Day of Recollection, Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> - "The Communion of Saints is praying with us!" - John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. The day begins at 7:30am with a Holy Hour of Exposition and Adoration in the Chapel followed by Mass. Talks will be in Dawson Hall on our Patron Saints and more. Lunch is on your own 11:30am to 1:00pm. Closing is at 3:00pm back in the Chapel with a Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary and other Community Prayers. Please RSVP to Sevensisterslincoln@gmail.com (free will donation will be taken that day to cover expenses) For additional information please go to the Lincoln Diocese Website, or text Rhonda at 402.525.6396. Women already in a Seven Sisters Group are invited as are those women who want to learn more about this important Apostolate of Holy Hours of Prayer for our Priests.

Camp Kateri Father/Son Camp Out ... Father/Son weekend sponsored by Regnum Christi. Boys ages 10-14. \$125 for Father/Son, \$40 each additional son. RSVP to Herb Reese 402-430-6610 or hreece1@neb.rr.com by Wed., Oct. 24. When: Saturday, Nov. 3 9am to Sunday, Nov. 4 11:30am Where: Camp Kateri Tekakwitha, 1305 Rd 3, McCool Junction, NE What to Bring: outdoor clothing, toiletries, sleeping bag, tent (or cabins available), towel, nice clothing for Mass, sweatshirt, jacket, flashlight. Do not Bring: TV, radio, video games, mp3s, iPods, etc.

#### FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

**RCIA Classes** ... (Inquiry class in the Faith) usually held on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall 7:00pm – 9:00pm, will continue until mid May 2019. **It not too late to join!** These classes are open to Catholics and non-Catholics. Come and learn more about your faith.

Bishop's Appeal for Vocations ... "Gift and Mystery". Two weeks ago (10/07/18), Bishop Conley's letter for the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations was read. It was mentioned that we would have the Appeal AFTER the Pumpkin Festival. This year, the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations will be handled similar to the Charity and Stewardship Appeal, meaning that every family in the Parish has a card which will be available on a table in the Narthex This Weekend and for the next two weekends. Our Parish Goal is \$4,810.00. This is our share of the Diocesan goal of \$800,000 which has been established by Bishop Conley. Your gifts and your prayers for our seminarians are much appreciated! Please support the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations.

*Fr. Seiker at Jesus Caritas Priest meeting* ... in Waverly (Mon, Oct 22 – Tue, Oct 23). I will return for Tue. 5:30pm Mass.

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Oct. 27, 5:00pm	Sun., Oct. 28, 10:00am		Readings for the Week
Lector	Mike Krondak	Justin Pieper	Monday:	Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Jerry Cooper	Tuesday:	Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38
Server	William Krondak	Xavier Pieper	Wednesday	: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48
	Nicholas Krondak	Nicholas Niesen	Thursday:	Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19;
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Buhrman/Niesen/Gregg		Lk 12:49-53
Gifts	Forrest Kain family	Mitch & Diane Gregg	Friday:	Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Ushers	Steve Fear	Duane Johnsen	Saturday:	Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9
	Janet Fear	Heather Johnsen	Sunday:	Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52
Rosary				

<u>Prayers for the sick:</u> Annie Vieyra, Theresa McCarthy-Garth, Sherry Kahl (Yvette Troyer's mother), Mary Lou Robles & Patricia Zamora (Toni Barron's sisters), Kelly Henry (Mitch Gregg's sister), Peggy Fleecs, Patti Caudillo, Renate Nordquist, Sharon Beckius, John Kahl, Mike & Kim Paul, Eileen Boltz, Jim Beckius.

<u>Prayers for the deceased</u>: Leona Clouatre, 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, Luke Ranck, Margaret Baxa, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

**Birthdays:**. 10/22 - Heather Johnsen, 10/23 - Tracy Ryland, 10/26 - Trudy Brosius, 10/27 - Carissa Lafleur, 10/28 - Lakeland Lowrey.

Congratulations: to Philip & Kelsey Heimann who celebrate their 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Oct. 24.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... As election campaigns move into high gear, sometimes the phrase "the Catholic vote" is heard. It's an interesting concept, since Catholics started out in this country as a very fragile group: fewer than forty thousand of us at the time of the first census in 1790, and only about 2 percent of the population by 1830. It was a priestless church for all intents and purposes, lay-led clusters of Catholics waiting patiently for the occasional visit of a priest, sustained by gathering when they could on Sunday for devotional prayer like litanies and the rosary. They tried to hold on to their ancestral faith as best they could. Archbishop Jean-Louis Cheverus told one family in Maine to "every day say your prayers on your knees with affection, and every Sunday gather to hear the Gospel, to pray in common, and to quiz the children on the catechism." Inevitably, some became Protestant, but many more stayed Catholic from generation to generation, with very little encouragement or sacramental ministry from the clergy. Archbishop John Carroll, the first American bishop, tried to make Church law flexible: shortening the length of the fast before Communion, easing the Lenten fast, and even relaxing the rule of Sabbath rest at harvest time. Catholicism in England had been quietly sustained in this way for two centuries, and the first American Catholics carried on as had their ancestors, providing a fertile soil for the unprecedented success and phenomenal growth of the Church in our country. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TOO MUCH INFORMATION! ... There is a common expression: "Too much information!" We usually use it when people tell us details about their lives that we don't want or need to know. Today, when James and John ask Jesus a simple question, making their request for places of honor in the kingdom, a simple answer might have been in order. Instead, as he often does, Jesus answers a question with a question; today it's about drinking the cup of suffering. Then, once the others are indignant over James and John's outrageous request, he proceeds to give them what may have been "too much information" for followers who were simply interested in the pursuit of glory. But this information, though it can sometimes seem "too much" for us, is essential for our lives as disciples. In Isaiah, in Hebrews, and in Mark today, we learn this information. It is in suffering, in weakness, in self-giving service to others, that we come to understand the kingdom. It is the information we need to find our place and come to be honored in the reign of God. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**ERROR -FREE** ... A mistake doesn't become an error until I refuse to correct it. —Anonymous

THE GREATEST TEST ... The greatest test of courage on earth is to bear defeat without losing heart. —Robert Ingersoil

**Pray for our Seminarians:** Joseph Nicholas Allen, from St. Mary Parish, Nebraska City. He entered the Seminary in 2013/2017. He is in Theology 1 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

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

#### **HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS** ...

(October) Evangelization: The Mission of Religious - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.