ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 14, 2019

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 Monday July 15 8:00 a.m. **Tuesday** July 16 7:00 a.m. Wednesday July 17 5:30 p.m. July 18 Thursday Friday July 19 July 20 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday July 21 10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Elizabeth (Liz) Haag Book of Memories / Blessings Margaret Baxa +

- No Scheduled Parish Mass -
- No Scheduled Parish Mass -Bernadine Duryea + People of Our Parish

Christ Jesus ... is the head of the body, the Church.

– Colossians 1: 15, 18

Stewardship: July 7, 2019

Adult Envelopes:	.\$1,570.00
Loose Plate:	\$199.00
Children:	\$0.00
Holy Day: 0	\$0.00
Total:	.\$1,769.00

Joy of the Gospel Campaign				
Total Pledged:				
Gifts last week:	\$1,170.00			
Total Gifts Received:	\$819,468.05			
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:	\$1,626,980.04			
Balance on DIAL LOAN:	. \$133,871.31			

Peter's Pence:	\$400.00
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Parish Calendar

Sunday	July	14	11:00am: Knights of Columbus Breakfast in Parish Hall
Monday	July	15	7:00pm: Treasures of the Church, St. Patrick Catholic Church, North Platte.
Thursday	July	18	12:30pm: Adult Bible Study in Parish Hall

Catholic School News:

A Reminder to all Currently Enrolled Families!: Please take time to log in to Sycamore and Re-Enroll your students for the 2019-2020 School Year. Once you have logged in please go to My School; Enrollment; Online Portal. This is also where you can add students if you have new preschooler to add to NPCS classes for next year. Need help with Sycamore: contact Jennifer Winder j.winder@npcschools.org.

Job opportunity at North Platte Catholic Schools:

9th – 12th Grade Theology Teacher.

Little Leprechaun Preschool. We are looking for a patient, energetic individual, who is passionate about teaching young learners.

Applicants need to hold or be eligible for a Nebraska Teaching Certificate, For more information or to apply, contact Kevin Dodson at k.dodson@npcschools.org.

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

Treasures of the Church ... Spirit Catholic Radio (Spirit 103.9-FM / 91.5-FM / 90.1-FM) presents Treasures of the Church – a relics exposition and healing ministry – at (St. Patrick Church, North Platte, July 15, 7:00pm or St. Michael Church, Hastings, July 16, 7:00pm). More than 150 sacred relics will be on display--some believed to be as old as 2,000 years. Among the treasures are relics of St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Faustina. In addition, there will be a piece of a veil believe to have belonged to Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Presented by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross. Attendees are encouraged to bring their articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc) and pictures of ill friends/family members which may be touched to the reliquaries as a means of intercessory prayer. The ministry has had reports of healing among a number of visitors to the exposition. More details at spiritcatholicradio.com/treasures. Event is FREE & open to the public.

Pro-Life Booth at Lincoln County Fair ... Wed, July 24 – Sunday, July 28. Please sign up on the sign up sheets available in the Narthex to volunteer at the pro-life booth at the Lincoln County Fair. Breakfast by Knights of Columbus ... Sunday, July 14, 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.

BENEDICT XVI SCHOOL OF CATECHESIS ...

The Benedict XVI Diocesan School of Catechesis is for Catholics wanting to strengthen their intellectual and spiritual formation to empower their evangelical mission in the world. It covers the Creed, the Sacraments, the Commandments, and Prayer (Year I) as well as Salvation History, Church History, Faith and Reason, and Spirituality (Year II). The time commitment is one Saturday a month from September to April for two years. The cost is \$100 per semester, however, those who teach CCD, God-teen/CYO, or in Catholic schools would receive a 25% discount. For more information, go to www.lincolndiocese.org/bxvi or call 402-473-0631.

DIOCESAN SACRED MUSIC CLINIC ... The Diocesan Liturgical Commission hosting 4th annual Sacred Music Clinic on Sat., August 24, 2019, from 9:00am-5:00pm at the Newman Center in Lincoln. For more info., please go to https://www.lincolndiocese.org/liturgy or contact Fr. Daniel Rayer at fr.dan-rayer@lincolndiocese.org or 402-488-0921.

SACRED MUSIC SUMMER CAMP FOR YOUTH ... will be held for those ages 8-14 (unchanged voices) M-F, August 5-9, 2019, 9:00am -12:00pm at UNL Newman Center at the corner of 16th & Q St. No experience is necessary; all singers strongly encouraged! An additional rehearsal will be held on the evening of August 23. The choir will sing for two Masses on the mornings of August 11th (St. Francis of Assisi Chapel) and August 24 (Newman Center). Cost: \$75/child (\$200/family 3+). For more info. or to register: Nicholas Lemme nlemme@olgseminary.org. Space is limited; sign up today! Registration Deadline is July 15, 2019.

Rediscover Your Marriage ... Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential info about or to register for August program beginning with a weekend on Aug. 23-25, 2019, call 888-317-5654, 308-986-2351 or www.retrouvaille.org.

TOTUS TUUS (A Summer Catechetical Program)

... Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,

Thank you for allowing Totus Tuus to come to your parish! Itw as great to get to know all the wonderful families at the parish! Y'all have a great Catholic community here in North Platte. I'm excited to see what the future holds for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton! You all will be in our prayers. Also, thank you for providing lunch for us all week and for cleaning and setting up the Parish Hall for the potluck dinner. *John McDonald, Joe Bieker, Lucy Long, Brianna Fritz.*

TOTUS TUUS Thank You's ... Thanks to all of the children who attended Totus Tuus last week. Thanks to the parents who provided cookies, those who helped with the lunches & evening meals for the Team, those who helped with the pot-luck meal, & those who assisted with the snacks, lunch & many of the other details behind the scenes. Thanks especially to the Team! It was a very good week! (Fr. Seiker)

SCIENCE AND ETHICS ... Pope Benedict XVI has stated, "I feel the duty to affirm yet again that not all that is scientifically possible is also ethically licit. Technology, when it reduces the human being to an object of experimentation, results in abandoning the weak subject to the arbitration of the stronger. To blindly entrust oneself to technology as the only guarantee of progress, without offering at the same time an ethical code that penetrates its roots in that same reality under study and development, would be equal to doing violence to human nature with devastating consequences for all. The contribution of scientists is of primary importance. Together with the progress of our capacity to dominate nature, scientists must also contribute to help understand the depth of our responsibility for man and for nature entrusted to him." (February 12, 2007 - Address to the International Congress on Natural Moral Law)

<u>Confirmed for Mission</u> ... (Kerygma, Witness, Confirmation, Teacher and Prayer Formation Day) For All Catholic School and CCD Confirmation Teachers ... <u>Friday</u>, <u>July 19</u>, <u>9:45am</u> <u>- 4:00pm</u> at St. Peter Parish, Vasa Hall, 4500 Duxhall Dr, Lincoln.

8:15am=Optional Parish Mass

9:15 am=Check-in/hospitality

Lunch provided; Overnight accommodations for those outside of town available at Good Counsel Retreat House on July 18.

Presenter: Joe Roueche (Net Ministries)

Registration: lincolndiocese.regfox.com/confirmationteacher. For more information contact fr.andrew-heaslip@cdolinc.net or visit www.lincolndiocese.com/mission

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

<u>National Cursillo Encounter</u> ... I will leave Wed, July 17 (in the evening, to go to Denver) then Thursday to the University of Scranton, in Scranton, PA for the National Encounter (which is from Thursday, July 18 – Sunday, July 21). I will return Sunday, July 21. Fr. Jeff Eickhoff (the Rector of St. Gregory the Great Seminary in Seward, NE) will be here for Sat/Sunday Confessions & Masses on July 20-21.

THANK YOU TO ... members of our 25th Anniversary Committee; the ministers at the Altar and those who led us in singing at Mass; those who decorated our Altar so beautifully with flowers and cared for them for 2 ½ weeks; those who helped with the meal for Bishop Conley and the visiting Priests on Friday afternoon, those who helped with the reception in the Parish Hall Friday evening; the members of the Knights of Columbus who served a great BBQ meal on Saturday; those who helped with the Brunch on Sunday; those who helped with the Historical Display in the Parish Hall. Thanks to all who helped in any way with our 25th Anniversary celebrations. It was a great three days as a Parish family!

Looking Back and Moving Forward

In the November 2, 2003 Bulletin, Fr. Brouillette wrote: "Coming Soon ... There will be a sign-up sheet in the entryway to have the Icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe visit your home on her journey around the area. The icon will stay with your family for nine days, during which time you and your family members are encouraged to pray the Rosary and the novena prayer on a daily basis. This novena will be from October 1 until the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12, when all participants are encouraged to come together for a celebration. The intention of the Novena is for the protection of our faith and for peace in families, areas, state, nation and the world. For more information please contact Toni Barron."

The following note was in the March 11, 2004 Bulletin: "Thank You for your patience in the renovation of the Ladies Rest Room project. We finished on schedule. This project was accomplished with Bake Sale, Candle and Dues funds, with no cost to the Parish. We thank all who gave of their time, talent and treasure, especially Ermalinda Torres and Doris Greg who guided us through the minefield of plaster and paint. -Peggy Orr & Daughters of Charity."

The Daughters of Charity held a reception for Fr. Brouillette on June 6. Fr. Zitek arrived at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on June 30, 2004.

Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz was the main celebrant of the 8:15am Field Mass and also the main celebrant of the 10:00am Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall. After Mass, parishioners, Fr. Brouillette, and Bishop Bruskewitz gathered at the Quality Inn for a meal and celebration.

In the July 11, 2004 Bulletin, Fr. Zitek wrote: "It is great to be here and an honor to be your new pastor. If you ever need anything, please let me know. Congrats on your (our) 10 year Anniversary. Please pray for me and be assured of my prayers for you. God Bless + Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. + P.S. Thanks for the warm welcome!"

Fr. Zitek was installed as our new Pastor during the Wednesday, August 11, 2004 5:30pm Mass. A welcome dinner followed, at which the Parish provided the ham and rolls and parishioners brought a salad, side dish or dessert.

The August 22, 2004 Bulletin mentioned: "Thank You to the anonymous donor who purchased the beautiful flowers for the parish this weekend. They are to commemorate another milestone in parish history, our first Mass at the college on August 21, 1994. We'd also like to remember all those who cleared the room, set up the chairs and prepared for Mass every Sunday, a very large job indeed! And last, but not least, we remember those of our parish who have died. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithfully departed, rest in peace."

The August 29, 2004 Bulletin mentioned: "Our thanks to John and Catherine Baker Costello who donated the St. Padre Pio Statue and the planters. The Costello's are from Tennessee and visit our parish while they are here during the summer months."

The January 30, 2005 Bulletin mentioned: "K of C Pancake Breakfast @ St. Elizabeth's will be served following 10:00am Mass on Feb. 6. (Rolls will not be available that weekend) Pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice & coffee will be served. A free will offering is suggested."

The February 6, 2005 Bulletin mentioned: "The Weskamp family has donated a new chalice and ciborium in memory of Otto and Virginia Weskamp. They will be blessed and entered into service at the Saturday night Mass." and: "Also an anonymous donor has given us a new refrigerator for the parish kitchen, a much-needed appliance. Our thanks from Father Zitek and your parish family!"

The April 24, 2005 Bulletin mentioned: "The Daughters of Charity Mother's Day Bake Sale will be May 7 at True Value 8:30am until? In bringing items, judge as to about \$15 to \$20 in value or a cash donation would be appreciated. Please have your items at True Value by 8:30am or you may leave them in the church kitchen and they will be picked up by 8am Saturday. In 2002 we made \$402 from the bake sale; in 2003, \$296 and in 2004 only \$216. This is our only large money making project and all proceeds go to pay for church and altar supplies. Please be generous and help us out as we continue our support."

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., July 20, 5:00pm	Sun., July 21, 10:00am		Readings for the Week
Lector	Mike Krondak	Shane Lowrey	Monday:	Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Acolyte	Jerry Volesky	Duane Johnsen	Tuesday:	Ex 2:1-15a;Ps 69:3,14,30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Server	Volunteer	Lakeland Lowrey	Wednesday:	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
	Volunteer	Harmon Johnsen	Thursday: Friday:	Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9; 24-27; Mt 11:28-30 Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13,15,16bc,17-18;
Music	,	Matt & Ashley Perlinger	i riuay.	Mt 12:1-8
Gifts	Cindy Swanson/AliceRobinson	Justin & Hanna Pieper	Saturday:	Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15;
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Volunteer		Mt 12:14-21
	Alice Robinson	Spencer Hampton	Sunday:	Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28;
Rosary				Lk 10:38-42

Prayers for the sick: Margaret Ruskamp (Donna Bode's mother), Flood Victims, Special Intention, Carolyn Cohen, Tim Garth (Theresa McCarthy-Garth's son), Jon Walz, Parishioner's friend's daughter (Sarah; severe headaches & medical issues), Those struggling with Alcoholism, Parishioners seeking adoption of a child, Dave Hoedel (Reiny Burbach's son-in-law), Mary Lou Robles & Patricia Zamora (Toni Barron's sisters), Renate Nordquist, Sharon Beckius, Mike & Kim Paul, Jim Beckius.

Prayers for the deceased: Florena Schneweis (Emily Krondak's mother), Carlos Fleury (Steve/Janet Fear's son-in-law), Ruby Ramirez (Toni Barron's sister), JoAnn Bode Waters (John Bode's sister), Fr. Paul Rutten, Fr. Brad Zitek, Eileen Boltz, Peggy Fleecs, Carol LaBrie (Loren Baxa's sister-in-law), 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, Bernadine Duryea, Luke Ranck, Margaret Baxa, Mary Portz, Phyllis Beckius.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: 7/13 - Ashley Perlinger, 7/14 - Tiffany Hampton, 7/18 - Ken Bjornstad, 7/20 - Jerry Cooper.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... On a summer day, with the windows open, we may hear the sound of church bells. Bells seem to have come into church life in Irish monasteries around the seventh century, and spread around the Christian world by Irish monks on missionary journeys. By the eighth century, bells were standard equipment in even small parish churches. An ancient ceremony, once called the "baptism of the bells," recognizes that the church bell has a voice to call people to awareness and summon them to worship, and even bestows a name on the bell. In a world without clocks or watches, the bell had an indispensable role. For calling monks in from the fields for prayer, or alerting far flung visitors, the bell's voice was enhanced by hoisting it high into a tower. Soon it was learned that the sound of several bells clanging together in harmony imparted a sense of joy to great celebrations, and bell towers prospered, some chock full of bells. Different combinations of rings could indicate a death, a Mass, a wedding, a fast day, the curfew at the end of day, and the Angelus. Before electricity, bell-ringing was hard work indeed: the biggest bell in the Catholic world, in Cologne, Germany, weighs twenty seven tons! There's no substitute for the resonant roar of a mighty bell; electric chimes are not eligible for blessing! —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GOD WANTS TO BE KNOWN ... The Old Testament reading from Deuteronomy praises God for inscribing the commandments in our very bodies. God's law is not distant or foreign, but a natural part of us. In his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul echoes Moses, praising God for becoming one of us. The truly human, flesh-and-blood Jesus reminds us that God always wants to be recognizable and familiar to us. Jesus, who is also truly God, wants to be on intimate terms with each of us. God's passionate desire to be known by us is almost too wonderful to take in. Luke's Gospel helps us understand how to respond. The Good Samaritan parable provides practical advice for those who believe in God's intimate love for them and want to share that love with others. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

HAPPINESS ... Since happiness is nothing else but the enjoyment of the Supreme good, and the Supreme good is above us, no one can be happy who does not rise above oneself. _St. Bonaventure

WISDOM ... Wisdom has been defined as knowing the difference between pulling your weight and throwing it around. —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.

<u>Pray for our Religious Sisters</u>: 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 ... (July)

<u>Universal</u> – That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.