

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time ***February 16, 2020***

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

Family Formation Program

Sunday mornings (Sept-May) 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 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	Feb. 17	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 18	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 19	5:30 p.m.
6:00pm-10:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hours => Spend time with Jesus		
Thursday	Feb. 20	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Feb. 21	12:10 p.m.
		5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 22	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 23	10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Jacqie Burn
Special Intention (kvs)
Book of Memories / Blessings
Bliss, Landon
Martha Burbach +
Bishop James Conley
People of Our Parish
Polzin Family

*What eye has not seen,
and ear has not heard, and what
has not entered the human heart,
what God has prepared
for those who love him,
this God has revealed to us
through the Spirit.*

— 1 Corinthians 2:9-10

Stewardship: February 9, 2020

Adult Envelopes:	\$1,145.00
Loose Plate:	\$129.00
Children:	\$0.00
Holy Day: 0	\$0.00
Total:	\$1,274.00

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:	\$958,770.00
Gifts last week:	\$0.00
Total Gifts Received:	\$880,928.05
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:	\$1,702,428.04
Balance on DIAL LOAN:	\$60,613.45

Southern NE Register:\$345.00

Parish Calendar

Wednesday	Feb. 19	6:00pm – 10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration	7:00pm – 9:00pm: RCIA Classes in Parish Hall
Thursday	Feb. 20	1:00pm: Adult Bible Study in Parish Hall	
Sunday	Feb. 23	6:30pm: Theology on Tap: John & Rebecca Lilyman from Kearney=speakers,	2 nd Floor Nebraska Land Bank.

Catholic School News:

Our Mission: In union with the Catholic Church, the mission of the North Platte Catholic Schools is to assist parents in teaching their children to know, love & serve Jesus while providing a high-quality academic education.

PLEASE JOIN US for Information Night ... We WANT You to be a part of our IRISH school family!

IRISH FEST 2020 ... Save the date and join us for IRISH FEST on Sunday, Feb. 23! We're celebrating 45 years of family fun with this annual event! Enjoy a homemade roast beef dinner, bake sale, silent auction, raffle, and a gym full of games & prizes for the kids. ALL are welcome. Cost of the meal is \$6.00/person, raffle tickets are \$2.00/each, and game tickets are just \$0.25. Spend the day at St. Pat's and help support our schools!

A few IRISH FEST items to note for McDaid/St. Pat's Families...

* All NPCCS students (grades K-12) are asked to sell raffle tickets. Please watch for info. and tickets to come home with your children.

* Students 7-12 are asked to supply cakes and baked goods. (Though anyone is welcome to contribute bake sale items & cake-walk cakes!) Please deliver baked goods to St. Pat's HS on Friday 2/21 before 4:00 or Saturday 2/22 between 9:00am - 12:00pm.

* The Endowment is still accepting silent auction donations. Call the office at: 534-5939, or e-mail w.dodson@npcschools.org.

* Many volunteers are needed for Irish Fest! Sign up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050845ADAA2DA6F49-irish>

Enrollment is now OPEN! Upcoming Dates to remember:

March 19th – 7:00pm – **9th Grade Information Night**

April 7th – 7:00pm – **7th Grade Information Night**

April 17th – **'BUMP UP DAY' 8AM to Noon** Your student is invited to spend a 1/2 day with us to get the IRISH classroom experience. This is especially fun for the littles when they get to be one grade older for 1/2 of a day. If you don't currently attend our school, please contact us for more information.

Little Leprechaun Preschool through 12th Grade. ALL on one campus. Join us and become a part of the Irish school family! This is an investment you won't regret!

North Platte Catholic School:

Faith and Knowledge for a Brighter Future

Healing after Abortion ... If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit HopeAfterAbortion.org.

Day of Advocacy... Join Catholics from across the state for a day of advocacy at the Nebraska State Capitol on **March 4, 2020!** We begin at St. Mary Church, Lincoln with Mass at 8:00am, and the program will be at 9:00am, with speakers, lunch, and lobbying activities until 1:30pm. Hear from keynote speaker - former Nebraska Governor Kay Orr, State Senators, and the Nebraska Catholic Conference staff on important legislative issues of the 2020 Legislative session. For more information and to register at necatholic.org or call 402.477.7517.

Seven Sisters Apostolate Retreat ... on Saturday, July 18th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. It is for women already involved in a Seven Sisters Group and also those who would like more info about the Apostolate. The theme will be "Distractions in Prayer." Registration & Continental Breakfast will begin at 8:00am, 9:30am=Mass, the day will end at 3:00pm. Final details are being completed, and more info is to come. **Foundress Janette Howe will be our Retreat Leader,** and Joan Ryland (308-520-6800) is the representative from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. There are still several Priests we want to cover in prayer with a Seven Sister Apostolate Group and two more Bishops in our Diocese. If interested in joining us in prayer before Our Lord in His Blessed Sacrament, or for more info., please contact Rhonda Litt - text 402-525-6396 or call after 6:00pm.

Day of Recollection Retreat ... Start your Lenten season with a one-day 'Day of Recollection' retreat. The LDCCW has planned two retreats, open to men and women of the Lincoln Diocese. Join us on **Ash Wednesday, February 26,** at the **Waverly Good Counsel Retreat House,** from **9:00am-3:00pm,** with Father Justin Fulton. Cost is \$10 and you are asked to bring your lunch. Your second/alternative retreat is **Friday, February 28** at **St. Mary Church in Sutton,** from **9:00am-2:30pm,** with Father Andrew Heaslip. Cost is \$5 and you are asked to bring a meatless salad to share. Confession time will be provided at both locations. Mark your calendar now. If you have questions, please email ldccwpresident@gmail.com.

Healing Hearts Support Sessions ... for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. The sessions will be held on **six weekly Tuesday evenings** beginning **March 3, 2020, 7:00-9:00 p.m.,** at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620.

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

February – May Schedule:

Feb 28 - Mar 1 .. Fr. Christopher Goodwin..... Men / Women
"Living on God's Word"
Mar 6-8..... Fr. Joseph Faulkner Men / Women
"Biblical Prayer and its Benefits"
Mar 13-15 Tony Brandt & Chris Stewart. Men/ Women
"Disciples on Mission: Discipleship, Evangelization & Stewards"
Mar 23-26..... Fr. Chris Barak & Fr. Gary Coulter Men / Women
"4-day Directed Spiritual Exercises Mon-Thur"
Apr 3-5 Fr. Sean Kilcawley..... Men / Women
"Rend Your Hearts: Living a Spirituality of Surrender"
Apr 9-11 Marian Sisters..... Young Women
Holy Week Retreat for Young Women
Apr 17-19 Fr. John Rooney Men / Women
"Receiving Mercy & Being Merciful"
May 1-3 Marian Sisters (Mother Ann Marie & Sr. Serena). Women
Women's Retreat on Mary – Mother of God

Father/Son Program ... "In His Image" for boys age 10-14 and their fathers will be held Sunday, March 15, 2020 from 1:30pm-4:30pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up and becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per father/son or \$35 per family. To register, visit lincolndiocese.regfox.com/fatherson Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net.

Mother/Daughter Program ... "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" for girls age 9-13 and their mothers will be held Saturday, Mar 14, 2020 9:00am-12:00pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center. This program is designed to educate girls on growing up and becoming a woman. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per mother/daughter or \$35 per family. Visit lincolndiocese.regfox.com/motherdaughter to register. Call Jen Davis (402-261-6375) or email jmdavis17@gmail.com with questions.

New FertilityCare App ... Attention, Creighton Model Fertility Care users! There is a new app available for charting! Go to www.fertilitycareapp.com/app_features_and_faqs, for more info, and then contact your teacher or Certified Fertility Care Practitioner, Kathy Burr, to schedule a follow up or get signed up for the app. Email ckburr240@gmail.com or text 308-991-1880.

Pope Benedict's Encyclical: God is Love ...
Pope Benedict XVI says the following words in his first encyclical letter "God is Love": "In sacramental communion I become one with the Lord, like all the other communicants. As Saint Paul says, "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Cor 10:17). Union with Christ is also union with all those to whom he gives himself. I cannot possess Christ just for myself; I can belong to him only in union with all those who have become, or who will become, his own. ... Love of God and love of neighbour are now truly united: God incarnate draws us all to himself. ... Here the usual contraposition between worship and ethics simply falls apart. "Worship" itself, Eucharistic communion, includes the reality both of being loved and of loving others in turn. A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is intrinsically fragmented" (n. 14). These words remind us of our calling to love all our neighbors, born and unborn.

2020 Wild Game Feed ... Saturday, Feb. 29, Curtis Community Center. All you can eat Buffet! (Over 30 different dishes made with Duck, Deer, Squid, Moose, Dove, Quail, Pheasant, Turtle, Frogs, Fish, Turkey, Goose, & Many More). 5:00pm=Doors Open; 7:00pm=Meal. Hosted by: St. James, St. William, St. Joseph Catholic Churches.

Upcoming Schedule of Events ...

March 14-15 ... Favorite Dessert Auction.
March 15-17 ... Forty Hours Eucharistic Adoration
April 19 ... First Holy Communion at St. Elizabeth.
April 25 ... Confirmation at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.
April 28-29 ... Unplanned Movie at Neville.
July 12-17 ... TOTUS TUUS at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.
July 18, 2020 ... Seven Sisters Apostolate Retreat

Spiritual Warfare Series ... A 3-part series will be given by Matt Simmons, Director of Spiritual Formation, on Spiritual Warfare at John XXIII Diocesan Center from 6:30-8:30pm. Ephesians 6:12 "For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens." Series will be ~~Jan 21, Our Identity in Christ~~, Feb. 18, Battleground of Our Minds; and March 24, Our Weapons for Spiritual Warfare. The workshop is free & registration is kindly requested. For topic details; to register please visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/03oe-spiritual-warfare>. Questions? Call 402-473-0615 or email Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net.

"Theology on Tap" ... for single & married adults in their 20's & 30's. Join us Sunday, February 23 when John and Rebecca Lilyman from Kearney will be the speakers. Start time: 6:30pm-7:00pm social time, with presentation starting promptly at 7:00pm, Nebraska Land Bank 2nd Floor. Free will donations accepted. Cash bar. Please follow our link on Facebook: Theology on Tap North Platte. If you have questions, call Jennifer Kramer 520-1622.

Southern Nebraska Register ... In your Jan-Feb packet of envelopes, there is an envelope for the Southern Nebraska Register. The subscription rate for the Southern Nebraska Register is \$15.00 for one year. At \$15.00, this is an incredible bargain. Please use the envelope for your subscription to the Register. If you are not receiving your copy, please let the office know so we can add you to the list. Please make checks payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

Women at the Well Lenten Retreat ... will be March 1, 2020 from 7:00pm-9:00pmCT at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 415 North Chestnut St, North Platte, NE. Guest speaker Lisa Cotter will present on "Real Womanhood." The world offers us many different ideas on what it means to be a woman. As we search for answers, our attempts to make sense of it all can lead to frustration and disillusionment. Using Biblical principles, insights from Pope Saint John Paul II's Feminine Genius, and the heroic example of modern-day saints, Lisa gets to the truth about what it means to be an authentic woman. Cost is \$5. Hors d'oeuvres, Wine, and Fellowship. Read more on Lisa at www.madetomagnify.com. RSVP through Facebook or to 308-532-0942.

Forty Hours Eucharistic Adoration ... Sunday, March 15 - Tuesday, March 17. There will be a talk each evening (Sunday 7:00pm, Monday 7:00pm, & Tuesday 7:00pm) by Dr. Benjamin Akers (Augustine Institute).

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

Nominations for Parish Council ... are being accepted for the next few weeks. You may nominate another parishioner or yourself. Normally the terms for the parish council are for two years. We have 2 veteran members & 2 new members on the parish council each year. Hopefully there will be 4 parishioners' names on the ballot.

New Software for Church HVAC Controls ... envelopes are available in Narthex for you to use to make a donation to help with one-time HVAC expenses. The HVAC controls installed 10 years ago for our new Church used JAVA software which now has security issues and is old technology. Johnson Controls is proposing to install a new software program and the necessary hardware at a cost of \$24,926.00. This is a needed and necessary expense!

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Feb. 22, 5:00pm	Sun., Feb. 23, 10:00am
Lector	Mike Krondak	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Jerry Cooper
Server	William Krondak	Xavier Pieper
	Nicholas Krondak	Volunteer
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Buhrman/Niesen/Gregg
Gifts	Volunteer – Ask Ushers	Volunteer – Ask Ushers
Ushers	Steve Fear	Duane Johnsen
	Janet Fear	Heather Johnsen
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Prayers for the sick: Sherry Kahl (Yvette Troyer's mother), Derek Caster (brother of Jan Daniel's daughter-in-law), Peggy Lawler, J.D. Troyer, Matt Reisen (Matt & Ashley Perlinger's friend), Special Intention, Carolyn Cohen, Tim Garth (Theresa McCarthy-Garth's son), Those struggling with Alcoholism, Mary Lou Robles (Toni Barron's sister), Renate Nordquist, Mike & Kim Paul, Jim Beckius.

Prayers for the deceased: Reyes Robles (Toni Barron's brother-in-law), Margaret Ruskamp (Donna Bode's mother), Dolores Kosmicki, Patricia Zamora (Toni Barron's sister), Teresa Clouatre, Gordon Swanson (Cindy Swanson's father), Florena Schneewis (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, Leona Clouatre.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: 2/15 - Wynne McCormick, 2/18 - William Krondak, 2/18 - Nora McCormick.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands – not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CHOICE ... "If you choose you can keep the commandments," Sirach tells us. God "has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand" (Sirach 15:15, 16). This is a great mystery: God does not control us so completely that we cannot choose our own path. We have certain boundaries, of course, but no one but we can choose our way within those boundaries. In today's reading from Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us of our freedom and our responsibility for our lives. He calls us to look beyond the words of the commandments, all the way to their meaning. Look beyond the adultery to the selfishness that poisons our love. Look beyond the murder to the anger that eats away at our compassion. Look beyond the perjured testimony to the lies and deception that drive our behavior. Our vocation is to choose life for ourselves, and to choose a path through our part of the world that helps make life possible and more abundant for others as well. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

BAD COMPANY ... People who live solely for themselves are eventually corrupted by their own company.
—Anonymous

CONSCIENCE ... Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire, called conscience.
—George Washington

Pray for our Seminarians: Matthew Connor Kovar, from Appleton Assumption in David City. He entered the Seminary in 2014. He is in Theology 3 at Mount St. Mary Seminary.

Pray for our Religious Sisters: 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 ... (February)

Universal Prayer Intention: Listen to the Migrants' Cries: We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

You're invited to **IRISH FEST 2020**

A fundraiser for the North Platte Catholic Schools

Sunday, February 23rd

12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

St. Patrick High School, 500 S. Silber

Homemade Dinner served 12:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Mini Carnival Games & Prizes

Fun Jumpz ♣ Silent Auction ♣ Bake Sale ♣ Raffle

Fun for ALL ages!

IRISH FEST RAFFLE PRIZES:

♣ \$1,000 CASH ♣ \$250 CASH

♣ \$500 SCRIP of Choice Certificate

♣ YETI Tundra Haul cooler (\$400 value)

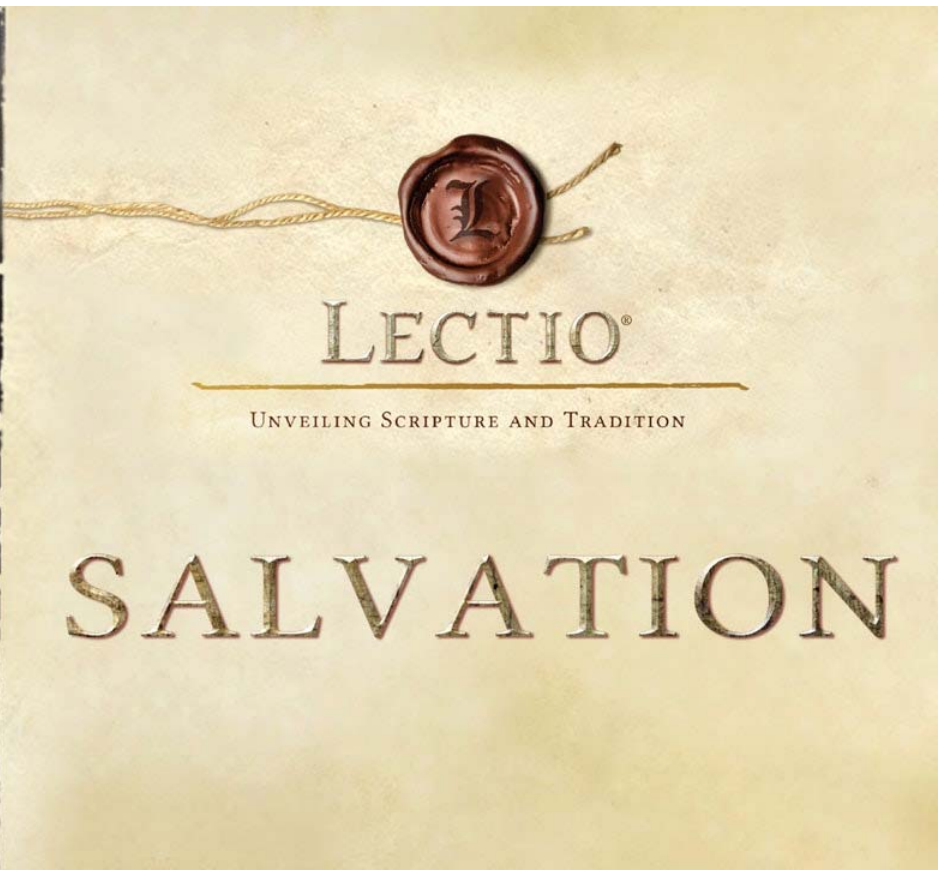
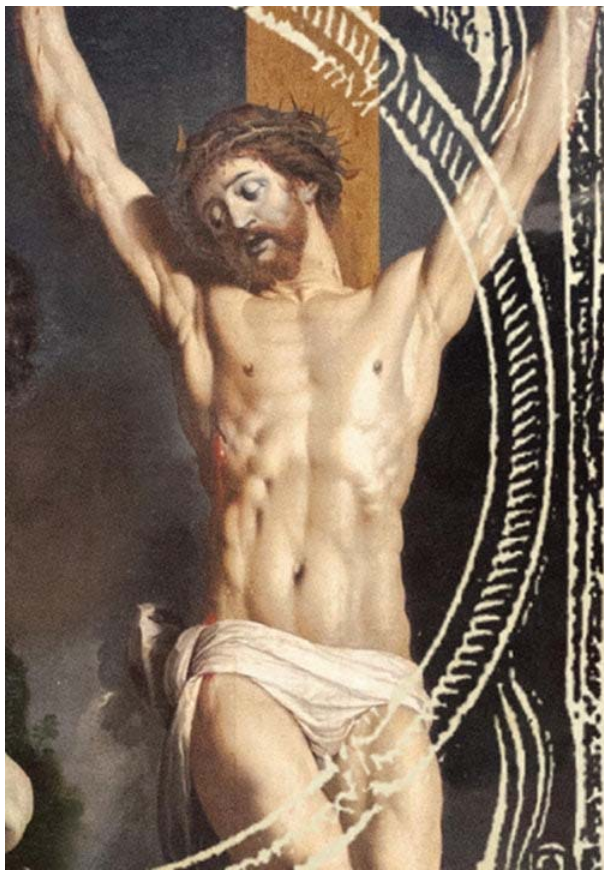
♣ Apple iPad gold, 32GB (\$275 value)

TICKETS ARE \$2.00 EACH

Tickets for sale at the Endowment Office (601 S. Tabor),
McDaid or St. Pat's HS Offices, after Weekend Masses (at the
SCRIP table) at Holy Spirit & St. Patrick's Churches.

*Raffle drawing at 2:50 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23rd

*You do NOT have to be present to win.



Dr. Michael Barber

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall Each session is offered two different days each week. You may come to either or both.

	<p><i>Study Guide books will be available for \$10.00 each.</i></p> <p>7:00pm – 8:15 or 8:30pm</p>	<p>Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Monday,</u> <u>Thursday</u> <u>(& 1 Friday)</u> 7:00pm</p>
#1	<p>Not Self-Help (30:58 minutes) <i>Jesus came to earth to save us! We affirm that truth every time we say the Nicene Creed at Mass: he came down from Heaven “for our salvation.” But what does that mean? In this first episode, Dr. Michael Barber explains why every Catholic should understand the importance of salvation: not just for our eternal state, but for our lives here and now. Drawing on Scripture and Tradition, he begins to discuss what it means to “be saved” and launches into the first of ten misconceptions that can lead to spiritual pitfalls: the idea that salvation is a matter of “self-help.”</i></p>	<p><u>Tuesday</u> Feb. 25</p>	<p><u>Thursday</u> Feb. 27</p>
#2	<p>Not Just Fire Insurance (32:11 minutes) <i>“Salvation as self-help” is only the first of many common misunderstandings that can become pitfalls in the way we understand and live our faith. In this session, Dr. Barber addresses the common misconception that salvation is like “fire insurance”: that it’s all about saving people from the fires of Hell. Jesus doesn’t simply save us from Hell; he also saves us for something wonderful: “abundant life.” Dr. Barber explains how a proper understanding of the Old Testament concepts of law and covenant reveals the essential link between God’s law and our happiness and fulfillment.</i></p>	<p><u>Monday</u> March 2</p>	<p><u>Thursday</u> March 5</p>

#3	<p>Not Without Cost (29:21 minutes)</p> <p><i>In the last session, we saw that salvation means more than just avoiding Hell and is, in fact, about having abundant life and knowing God's love. This raises the question: why the Cross? What do life and love have to do with suffering and death? To find the answer we must explore what Scripture says about sin as a debt and salvation as the ransom paid for us. When we do so, we discover that Christ's death on the Cross was not just a redeeming action but also a revelation of divine love.</i></p>	Sunday March 8	<u>Thursday</u> March 12
<p>Will Not Meet this week – Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions (March 15 - 21)</p>			
#4	<p>Not Just Personal (28:46 minutes)</p> <p><i>Salvation is not without cost, as we saw in the last session. We were not only "bought with a price" (1 Corinthians 6:20), but we were ransomed for a purpose—communion with the Most Holy Trinity. But that communion is not merely a personal relationship between us and Jesus. Our relationship with Jesus necessarily includes a relationship with his Body, the Church. In this session, we will explore the relationship between Christ and his Church and what it means for us and our salvation.</i></p>	<u>Monday</u> March 23	<u>Thursday</u> March 26
#5	<p>Not Just a Legal Transaction (28:46 minutes)</p> <p><i>After the Fall, each person is born not only with the stain of sin on their soul but also with a fallen human nature. Thanks be to God that his gift of salvation not only frees us from Original Sin but also transforms us from the inside out, healing the root of our brokenness: our hearts. As we will see in this session, salvation is not simply a legal transaction by which we are declared righteous, but by the gift of God's Spirit we are actually made righteous.</i></p>	<u>Monday</u> March 30	<u>Thursday</u> April 2
<p>Will Not Meet in Holy Week (April 5 - 11)</p>			
#6	<p>Not a Spectator Sport (29:35 minutes)</p> <p><i>As we continue our study, we look at how grace moves us to cooperate and participate in the work God is doing in us. This brings us to the question of the role good works play in our standing with God and our transformation as his sons and daughters. Relying heavily on Jesus's own teachings, we will see that God intends for us to make good use of the grace he gives us. God's grace moves us to do good works, and then, in his generosity, God rewards us for the good works that he gave us the grace to perform.</i></p>	<u>Tuesday</u> April 14	<u>Thursday</u> April 16
#7	<p>Not Simply a Moment (31:47 minutes)</p> <p><i>We can talk about salvation in many different ways. We can speak of it in terms of whether or not we will go to Heaven—something that is a future reality. We can also speak of a past time when we turned from a life of sin and began living for Christ, or the date on which we were baptized. In this session, Dr. Barber will examine how Scripture speaks of salvation as something that entails the past, present, and future. Understanding salvation from all these facets will help us see the full portrait of what Jesus has done for us, will do for us, and is doing in our lives to perfect us.</i></p>	<u>Monday</u> April 20	<u>Thursday</u> April 23
#8	<p>Not Inevitable (29:57 minutes)</p> <p><i>In an earlier session, Dr. Barber spoke about the misunderstanding of salvation as just "getting out of Hell." He discussed that salvation is so much more than "fire insurance." Why then is it necessary to speak of Hell in a discussion of salvation? While Jesus spent a great deal of time proclaiming the "good news" of salvation, he also warned his disciples of an "eternal fire" (Matthew 25:41). Salvation is a gift, but how does our free will and the choices we make affect our salvation?</i></p>	<u>Sunday</u> April 26	<u>Monday</u> April 27
#9	<p>Not Just for Other People (29:50 minutes)</p> <p><i>In this session, we will look at one of the biggest obstacles in the spiritual life: ourselves. God is eager to forgive us of our sins and give his grace to conform us into the image of his Son, but in order to receive forgiveness, we must repent! Repenting of our sin means taking responsibility for our failures and admitting that we struggle to love God from the heart. How can we practice more readily recognizing our sin and asking for God's help and the help of those God has put in our lives?</i></p>	<u>Thursday</u> May 7	<u>Friday</u> May 8
#10	<p>Not Only About the Future (37:59 minutes)</p> <p><i>Why is it so hard to avoid temptation? In this session, we'll look at Scripture passages that remind us we are not alone (since all creation is struggling) and that give us remedies to strengthen us to win the battle against temptation. The new creation is not merely about the future, but can enter our lives here and now. Let's find out how!</i></p>	<u>Tuesday</u> May 12	<u>Thursday</u> May 14