

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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3rd Sunday of Lent ***March 7, 2021***

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	Mar. 8	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Mar. 9	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Mar. 10	5:30 p.m.
6:00pm-10:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hours => Spend time with Jesus		
Thursday	Mar. 11	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Mar. 12	12:10 p.m.
		5:30 p.m.
		6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Mar. 13	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Mar. 14	10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Special Intention (jls)
 Liv/Dec mem of Estrada & Ortega Fam.
 Elli (Fugate) Schmidt
 Mitch & Diane Gregg & Fam.
 For our Benefactors
 Liv/Dec mem. Bode/Ruskamp families
 * Exposition / Stations / Benediction *
 People of our Parish
 Eloise Kramer +

**Somebody figured out
 that we have
 35 million laws
 trying to enforce
 ten commandments.**

Stewardship: February 28, 2021

Adult Envelopes:\$2,973.00
 Loose Plate:\$63.00
 Children:\$0.00
 Holy Day:\$0.00
 Total:\$3,036.00

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:\$958,770.00
 Gifts last week:\$100.00
 Total Gifts Received:\$945,573.05
 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:\$1,765,812.77
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:\$0.00

Southern NE Register:\$0.00
 Ash Wednesday:\$0.00

**5 ½ weeks ago, we were able to
 make our FINAL PAYMENT on
 our DIAL Loan for our New
 Church. As of January 28, 2021,
 our Parish has NO DEBT!**

Parish Calendar

Sunday	Mar. 7	11:30am: Daughters of Charity Meeting in person and through Zoom
Monday	Mar. 8	7:00pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting in person and through Zoom
Wednesday	Mar. 10	6:00pm – 10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm – 9:00pm: RCIA Classes in Person and via Zoom
Thursday	Mar. 11	1:00pm: Adult Bible Study (contact Teri Volesky) 7:00pm – 8:30pm: <u>The Search</u>
Friday	Mar. 12	7:00pm – 8:30pm: <u>The Search</u>

Catholic School News:

Irish Fest 2021: Many thanks to all who sponsored and supported Irish Fest 2021! We were able to raise over \$23,000 for the North Platte Catholic Schools. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Congratulations to our prize winners: \$1,000 cash - Jamissa Davis, \$1,000 tuition voucher - Bob & Dorothy Wills, \$500 cash - Lisa Neitzel, \$500 Kwik Stop - Tricia Scholz, 55" TV - Jill Granger, YETI cooler - Bud Brown, \$250 - Deb O'Malley, PowerBeats headphones - Evelyn (of Culbertson).

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

Fish Fry at St. Pat's ... The Knights of Columbus will be serving up a delicious Fish dinner each Friday of Lent, 5:30pm-7:30pm at St. Pat's Parish Hall. We will respect social distancing for those who wish to join us in person. As an added bonus, we are adding CURBSIDE – GRAB AND GO! Adults \$8.00 kids 12 and under \$4.00.

Change Your Station, Change Your Life ... This Lent, listen to Catholic Radio for one hour each week. Jesus will change your life! Already a listener? Tell a friend about the life-changing station you've been listening to. Visit www.spiritcatholicradio.com for a station near you.

Emmaus Institute Classes ... Looking for a way to boost your spiritual life during Lent and Easter? The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies is accepting registrations for its **10-week Online & In-Person Course** starting March 8th. See www.emmausinstitute.net for info.

Free Holy Week Bible Conference ... Prepare for Holy Week ... You are invited to register for the Augustine Institute FREE Virtual Bible Conference at <https://bibleconference.augustineinstitute.org/>

Seeking a way to grow in your love and knowledge of God's Word this Lent? Looking for a Lenten program when in-person parish missions and small groups cannot gather?

Join some of the nation's most dynamic Scripture scholars on **March 27** for a **one-day virtual event** that **will be streamed via Zoom (11:00am CDT – 4:00pm CDT)**. This virtual event is free!

Daughters of Charity (Altar Society) Meeting:

will be **Sunday, March 7, at 11:30am** in person in the Parish Hall (*observing a Social Distance*) and via Zoom. All women are invited & encouraged to participate either in person or virtually through Zoom. If you have never used Zoom before or have questions, please contact Fr. Seiker BEFORE the meeting begins.

DESSERT AUCTION - COME JOIN THE FUN ...

The AUCTION will be held in the Parish Hall after the **Saturday, March 20, 5:00pm** Mass and/or **Sunday, March 21, 10:00am** Mass! Funds received will assist the Daughters of Charity to defray the expenses to provide the Altar Breads, Wine, Candles & the many social events the Parish hosts. PLEASE COME SEE! **Invite your neighbors and friends to the Favorite Family Dessert and Recipe Auction.**

We appreciate your desserts made with milk or eggs for the DESSERT AUCTION! Please place these desserts into the refrigerators when you bring them & let someone know that they need brought out just prior to the auction. Desserts do need to be brought in the container you wish to sell along with the RECIPE CARD!

Knights of Columbus Meeting ... Mon, Mar. 8,

7:00pm, in person in the Parish Hall (*observing a Social Distance*) and via Zoom. All Knights are invited to participate. If you have never used Zoom before or have questions, please contact Fr. Seiker BEFORE the meeting.

K of C (March 14) Breakfast Burrito ... watch

our webpage for order form to order Breakfast Burritos. In lieu of our monthly pancake breakfast, during these times of social distancing the Knights of Columbus are offering homemade Breakfast Burritos to enjoy.

Spousal Hearts: Renewed in Love ... Marriage

Encounter presenting **Virtual Weekend 2021: April 23-25**. Contact Pat/Janelle Benson, Pat 308-940-0670, Janelle 308-940-1105, pjbiben@yahoo.com.

Healing Mass ... March 7, 2021, St. Patrick Church, McCook.

3:30pm=Divine Mercy Chaplet, 4:00pm=Mass. All are welcome to receive physical, spiritual, & mental healing. Confession available before Mass.

Good Counsel Retreat House Retreats Register for Online & in person Retreats sponsored by Good Counsel Retreat House www.goodcounselretreat.com, 402-786-2705, or goodcounsel@cdolinc.net.

March - May Schedule:

Mar. 11-18 Fr. Chris Barak & Fr. Gary Coulter.... Men / Women
"8-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Thur-Thur)
 Mar. 11-14 Fr. Gary Coulter Men / Women
"4-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Thur-Sun)
 Mar. 15-18 Fr. Chris Barak..... Men / Women
"4-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Thur-Thur)
 Mar. 19-21 Bishop Robert Finn..... Men
"Watch and Pray: Lenten Men's Retreat"
 Mar. 26-28 Fr. John Anthony Boughton, CFR .. Men / Women
"Spiritual Workout: Getting in Shape for the Spiritual Combat"
 Mar. 29 – Apr. 1 Fr. Chris Barak..... Men / Women
"4-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Mon-Thu; Holy Week)
 Mar. 26-28 Fr. John Anthony Boughton, CFR .. Men / Women
"Spiritual Workout: Getting in Shape for the Spiritual Combat"
 Mar. 29 – Apr. 1 Fr. Chris Barak..... Men / Women
"4-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Mon-Thu; Holy Week)
 Apr 1-3 Marian Sisters /Fr. Jonathan HaschkeWomen
Holy Week Retreat for Young Women
 Apr. 9-11 Fr. Benjamin Rynearson Men / Women
"Jesus, You Can Do All Things (Divine Mercy Weekend)"
 Apr. 15-18 Matt Simms Men / Women
"4-day Private Directed Ignatian Retreat" (Thu-Sun)
 Apr. 23-25 Fr. Jay Buhman..... Men / Women
"It is God Who Invites You: Come and See"
 Apr. 29 - May 2 Fr. Gary Coulter Men / Women
"4-day Directed Spiritual Exercises" (Thu-Sun)
 May 7-8 Janette Howe of Seven Sisters Apostolate .Women
"Real Women Wear Armor" (24 hour Retreat)

Pope Benedict XVI on Life ... "In the light of my recent Encyclical Letter on Christian love, I would like to underline the importance of the service of love for the support and promotion of human life. In this regard, even before active initiatives, it is fundamental to foster a correct attitude towards the other: the culture of life is in fact based on attention to others without any forms of exclusion or discrimination. Every human life, as such, deserves and demands always to be defended and promoted." – Address on February 5, 2006

Save the Date: Virtual Event With Jeff Cavins ...

Spirit Catholic Radio has enjoyed hosting a Celebration event for our listeners for 15 years! This year, we are excited to announce that we will get to join you virtually for this year's event – the Spirit Celebration Adventure! **Our guest speaker will be Jeff Cavins**, speaker, author, TV host, podcaster, and pilgrimage leader. Jeff's theme of **"Overcoming the World – What is the Proclamation of the Gospel?"** will break open seven truths everyone should know about boldly proclaiming the good news of the Gospel. **This video event will begin at 7:00pm on March 15th via a unique Zoom link that attendees will receive upon registration.**

Father/Son Program ... "In His Image" for boys age 10-14 and their fathers will be held **Sunday, March 21** from 1:30pm-4:30pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center and **virtually**. 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 in person and \$10 virtually. To register, visit <https://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 **March 28, 2021** from 1:30pm-4:30 pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center and **virtually**. 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 in person and \$10 virtually. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/motherdaughter>. Questions, please call Jen Davis at 402-261-6375 or email jmdavis17@gmail.com.

Catholics at the Capitol Online Series ... This year, Nebraska Catholic Conference is offering three ONLINE events in lieu of our annual in-person event. You will find information and a registration link for each event below. Feel free to attend one or all three online events, but you will need to fill out a separate registration for each event. Each will have unique guest speakers, and registration for any event will come with an NCC Advocacy Kit.

Catholics at the Capitol: 2021 Legislative Issues

Tuesday, March 9 at 12:00pm - 1:30pm ... Join us for the first of our Catholics at the Capitol online series! This will be a condensed version of our annual in-person event, with a prayer and reflection from Archbishop George Lucas of Omaha, a talk from Speaker of the Legislature, Senator Mike Hilgers, and NCC Staff giving an overview of important bills facing the Legislature this year. Register at <https://necatholic.org/news-events/event-calendar.html/event/2021/03/09/catholics-at-the-capitol-2021-legislative-issues/326054>.

Note: If you register for the March 9 event after Friday, 03/05/21, you will likely not receive your advocacy packet in the mail until after Tuesday.

Catholics at the Capitol: Why a Good Catholic Meddles in Politics

Tuesday, March 16 at 7:30pm – 9:00pm ... Join us for the second of our Catholics at the Capitol online series! Grab a drink and tune in for a discussion about why a good Catholic meddles in politics, how we can fit advocacy into our everyday lives, and the NCC's priority bills for the year. Our guest speakers will be Bishop James Conley of Lincoln, Lt. Gov. Mike Foley, and Nikki Shasserre. Register at <https://necatholic.org/news-events/event-calendar.html/event/2021/03/16/catholics-at-the-capitol-why-a-good-catholic-meddles-in-politics/326055>.

Catholics at the Capitol: How to Make Your Voice Heard in a Pandemic

Tuesday, March 23 at 12:00pm - 1:30pm ... Join us for the third of our Catholics at the Capitol online series! We will spend time diving into our top priority bills for the session and talk about how to make your voice heard to elected officials amid the pandemic. We will also be joined by Senator Lou Ann Linehan who will discuss school choice legislation and Senator Mike McDonnell who will discuss closing the unemployment insurance gap for immigrants. Register at <https://necatholic.org/news-events/event-calendar.html/event/2021/03/23/catholics-at-the-capitol-how-to-make-your-voice-heard-in-a-pandemic/326058>.

2021 Lenten Series ... An Introduction to Spiritual Life will be led by Matt Simmons, diocesan director of the Office of Evangelization and Spiritual Formation. The series will be in-person at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, or at-home, **livestream**, on-demand recordings. It will be held Tuesdays starting Feb. 16 – Mar. 30 from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Series is free; registration requested <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/lent2021>. Any questions, call 402-473-0615 or email Annette-Wernhoff@cdolinc.net. Participants are welcome to attend even if they cannot come to each event in the series. Everyone is warmly invited to attend!

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

The Search ... The Search from FORMED is an innovative video-based journey that tackles the key questions of every human heart. In seven beautifully filmed episodes, Chris Stefanick and experts from the fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of existence. Come & spend time sharing your faith with other Catholics & learn from the presenters & other parishioners.

The cost of each participant guide is \$10.00.

	7:00pm – 8:15 or 8:30pm	7:00pm	7:00pm
#4	What's Our Story	Thursday Mar. 11	Friday Mar. 12
#5	Who is Jesus?	Thursday Mar. 18	Friday Mar. 19
#6	Am I Saved?	Tuesday Mar. 23	Thursday Mar. 25
Will Not Meet in Holy Week (March 28 – April 3)			
#7	Why a Church?	Tuesday Apr. 6	Friday Apr. 9

Consecration to St. Joseph ... The Parish ordered 50 books by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC to assist you in participating in this Consecration to St. Joseph. **The books HAVE ARRIVED (\$10.00 each).**

Liturgical Ministers

Lector		
Acolyte		
Server		
Music		
Gifts		
Ushers		
Rosary		

Liturgical Calendar & Saints

Saturday:	Mar. 6	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 2)
Sunday:	Mar. 7	3rd Sunday of Lent
Monday:	Mar. 8	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3) St. John of God (Opt. Memorial)
Tuesday:	Mar. 9	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3) St. Frances of Rome (Opt. Memorial)
Wednesday:	Mar. 10	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3)
Thursday:	Mar. 11	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3)
Friday:	Mar. 12	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3)
Saturday:	Mar. 13	Lenten Weekday (Wk. 3)
Sunday:	Mar. 14	4th Sunday of Lent

Prayers for the sick: Jim Beckius, Daniel Nisley, Spencer Bale, Jim Beckius, Kim Prenosil, Kerry Heskett (Ben Heskett's sister), Rick Ryan, Becky Harold, Sheila Exner, Cathy Leathers, J.D. Troyer, Cindy Ryan, Dean & Janice Large, Jennifer Schmid, Sharon Beckius, Those affected with/by COVID-19, Theresa McCarthy-Garth, Peggy Lawler, Matt Reisen (Matt & Ashley Perlinger's friend), Special Intention, Tim Garth (Theresa McCarthy-Garth's son), Those struggling with Alcoholism, Renate Nordquist, Kim Paul.

Prayers for the deceased: Vinette Tenopir (Mickey Morlang's mother), Ginger Daigger Smith, Troy Tickle, Carolyn Cohen, Steve Haman (Matt Perlinger's uncle), Betty Conley (Bishop Conley's mother), Mike Paul, Sammy Medinger, Mary Lou Robles (Toni Barron's sister), Leo Walz, Ardis "Jo" Ginapp, Verna Kellogg, Bonnie Greco (Ashley Perlinger's grandmother), Shirley Lindekugel, Beatrice Estrada, Eloise Kramer (Monica Kramer's mother), Nellie Rodriguez (Toni Barron's sister), 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 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), Eileen Boltz, Leona Clouatre, Bernadine Torres, Martha Burbach, Luke Ranck.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: 3/7 - Rhett Nordquist, Mickey Morlang, 3/9 - Tish Connelly, 3/11 - Rebecca Krondak, 3/12 - Tyler Bantam, 3/13 - Jim Nisley.

Catechism of the Catholic Church (Second Edition)

PART FOUR – CHRISTIAN PRAYER

SECTION ONE – PRAYER IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

CHAPTER ONE – THE REVELATION OF PRAYER

David and the Prayer of the King

2579 David is par excellence the king “after God’s own heart,” the shepherd who prays for his people and prays in their name. His submission to the will of God, his praise, and his repentance, will be a model for the prayer of the people. His prayer, the prayer of God’s Anointed, is a faithful adherence to the divine promise and expresses a loving and joyful trust in God, the only King and Lord.²⁸ In the Psalms David, inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the first prophet of Jewish and Christian prayer. The prayer of Christ, the true Messiah and Son of David, will reveal and fulfill the meaning of this prayer.

28 Cf. 2 Sam 7:18-29 ¹⁸Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said, “Who am I, Lord GOD, and who are the members of my house, that you have brought me to this point? ¹⁹Yet even this you see as too little, Lord GOD; you have also spoken of the house of your servant for a long time to come: this too you have shown to man, Lord GOD! ²⁰What more can David say to you? You know your servant, Lord GOD! ²¹For your servant’s sake and as you have had at heart, you have brought about this entire magnificent disclosure to your servant. ²²And so – “Great are you, Lord GOD! There is none like you and there is no God but you, just as we have heard it told. ²³What other nation on earth is there like your people Israel, which God has led, redeeming it as his people; so that you have made yourself renowned by doing this magnificent deed, and by doing awe-inspiring things as you cleared nations and their gods out of the way of your people, which you redeemed for yourself from Egypt? ²⁴You have established for yourself your people Israel as yours forever, and you, LORD, have become their God. ²⁵And now, LORD God, confirm for all time the prophecy you have made concerning your servant and his house, and do as you have promised. ²⁶Your name will be forever great, when men say, ‘The LORD of hosts is God of Israel,’ and the house of your servant David stands firm before you. ²⁷It is you, LORD of hosts, God of Israel, who said in a revelation to your servant, ‘I will build a house for you.’ Therefore, your servant now finds the courage to make this prayer to you. ²⁸And now, Lord GOD, you are God and your words are truth; you have made this generous promise to your servant. ²⁹Do, then, bless the house of your servant that it may be before you forever; for you, Lord GOD, have promised, and by your blessing the house of your servant shall be blessed forever.”

Pray for our Seminarians: **Tony Clint Schukei**, from St. Teresa Parish in Lincoln. He entered the Seminary in 2016. He is in Theology 3 at St. Charles Borromeo 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 ...

(March) Intention for evangelization - Sacrament of Reconciliation: Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.