

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time *July 12, 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	July 13	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	July 14	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	July 15	5:30 p.m.
6:00pm-10:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hours => Spend time with Jesus		
Thursday	July 16	8:00 a.m.
Friday	July 17	12:10 p.m.
Saturday	July 18	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	July 19	10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Our President & our Country
Anna Lee
Elizabeth (Liz) Haag
Ruby Ramirez +
Martha Burbach +
Special Intention (glv rr)
People of our Parish

*You have crowned the
year with your bounty,
and your paths overflow
with a rich harvest.*

— Psalm 65:12

Stewardship: July 5, 2020

Adult Envelopes:	\$2,955.00
Loose Plate:	\$164.66
Children:	\$0.00
Holy Day: 0	\$0.00
Total:	\$3,119.66

<u>Joy of the Gospel Campaign</u>	
Total Pledged:	\$958,770.00
Gifts last week:	\$4,150.00
Total Gifts Received:	\$891,823.05
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:	\$61,613.45

Peter's Pence:	\$727.50
Mission Coop:	\$50.00
Southern NE Register:	\$0.00

Parish Calendar

Sunday	July 12	11:30am: Daughters of Charity Meeting, either in person or through Zoom
Monday	July 13	7:00pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting, either in person or through Zoom
Wednesday	July 15	6:00pm – 10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	July 16	1:00pm: Adult Bible Study via Zoom (contact Teri Volesky)
Friday	July 17	5:00pm: Welcome new Priests to Western Deaneries Priest gathering in McCook

Catholic School News:

Superintendent Dodson wants to share a few updates with you. Remodel progress continues in the high school, along with regular summer repairs and campus improvements. Enrollment for all grade levels is open. To register, contact Gwen Covey at 308-532-1874. Students have started summer weight training and follow all required COVID guidelines. The 2019-20 school year is being closed out and we are preparing for the Fall registration days. Families will receive letters with info about tuition and registration dates in late July. There is no need to do anything prior to those dates unless contacted by the school office. Mr. Dodson has weekly meetings with the state regulators regarding COVID-19 restrictions and what our Fall schedule may look like. At this time, nothing has been determined ... we repeat ... nothing has been determined. As we have experienced since March, everything changes on a daily basis. However, we are optimistic and plan to keep our start date of Tuesday, August 18th. So, for now just enjoy family. Progress continues in the High School along with the regular summer time, sunshine and these lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer! God Bless.

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

Peter's Pence Collection ... has usually been taken up the last Sunday of June. However, this year, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Peter's Pence Collection will be October 3-4, 2020.

"How to Pray" Series ... (by Father Gary Coulter, director, Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House). If you missed any of the How to Pray Series. They are available on our webpage in one pdf file under the Resources Tab under COVID-19 Resources and also under the Faith Resources. The Application: Prayer Exercises Series is also available there.

Scheduled Masses: All Masses are being livestreamed over ZOOM. See Meeting ID at <http://seas-np.org/covid-19-mass-videos-at-seas/> Videos of Masses available on parish webpage 1 hr after Mass ends <http://seas-np.org/covid-19-mass-videos-at-seas/>

Scheduled Times for Confession (in Parish Hall):

- **30 minutes before Daily Mass; 60 minutes before Sat/Sun Mass.**

Daughters of Charity (Altar Society) Meeting:

will be **Sunday, July 12, 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. All of the women (*for whom we have emails*) will receive an email invitation to join the Zoom meeting later this week. *If you have never used Zoom before or have questions, please contact Fr. Seiker BEFORE the meeting begins.*

Knights of Columbus Meeting ... Mon, July 13, 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 begins.*

Catholic Social Services Assistance ... Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska has funds available for rent, utilities, and emergency cash assistance help. They have funds set aside for every region of southern Nebraska, not just the towns where they have offices. If you know of anyone that needs help, please have them call in for assistance. There is an application process for those wanting to receive assistance. Imperial and SW Nebraska area, please call (402) 327-6299 during daytime hours. [see Bulletin inserts]

Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center ...

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center (IH MCC) with Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska continues to support mental health for the Diocese of Lincoln through the use of telehealth. If you or someone you know is experiencing mental health difficulties that adversely impact daily functioning or shadow the joy of living, please reach out. Visit their website at www.immaculateheartcounseling.org for more information or call 402-489-1834. [see Bulletin inserts]

Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies ...

Register for following in-person or online fall classes with The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies, running Sep. 8–Nov. 16: The Letter of James, Leviticus through Deuteronomy, Interpreting the Bible, the Book of Job, The Saints & the Scriptures. Learn more & register www.emmausinstitute.net.

Creighton Model FertilityCare System ... Creighton Model is a women's health science that allows users to learn more about their fertility and, in conjunction with NaProTECHNOLOGY, treat many reproductive disorders. An introductory session for July is scheduled for 7:00pm on the 28th at John XXIII Diocesan Center. For more info or to register, <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/creighton-introductory-session>.

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.

"Undone" Women's Retreat ... Ladies, do you desire to live in greater freedom? Are you longing for an authentic encounter with your true feminine identity? Join us for the Undone women's retreat where you will experience a weekend of truth, beauty and transformation, as the knots of Eve's disobedience are "undone" through Mary's model of radical receptivity. Bring yourself, your mother, your sister, your daughters and friends. This is a weekend you won't want to miss! Undone: Freedom for the Feminine Heart will be held at St. Peter Catholic Parish in Lincoln, NE **September 24-26, 2020**. Register online www.jpilhealingcenter.org. Scholarships, student and missionary discounts are available. Contact Annette Wemhoff at JPilRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com for more information. This event is sponsored by Spirit Catholic Radio, 102.7 FM, KVSS.

"Men on Fire" Conference ... St. Peter Catholic Parish in Lincoln, NE is hosting the Men on Fire Men's Conference on **Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 9:00am-3:00pm**. A Leaders Summit will also be held on Friday, October 16 from 7:00pm-9:00pm. It's time to live the life that God intended for you! Become a man "on fire" for God. The Men on Fire Conference, led by Bart Schuchts of the John Paul II Healing Center, with worship led by Mark McKellar, will help you become who you are. At Pentecost, the power of the Holy Spirit propelled each of the apostles into the fullness of their destiny. St. Irenaeus once said, "the glory of God is man fully alive." Step into your own personal Pentecost, know who you are in Christ, live into God's purpose for your life, and take back what belongs to you and God. This event is sponsored by Spirit Catholic Radio 102.7 FM. Learn more and register online at www.jpilhealingcenter.org. Invite your father. Invite your son. Attend together! Scholarships are available. Email Annette Wemhoff at JPilRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com for more info.

An Abortion Testimony ... The following words were written by one of the many women whose abortion testimonies can be found at www.AbortionTestimonies.com. "I went to Planned Parenthood for a pregnancy test. They didn't do ANY counseling about fetal development or alternatives. An abortion was 'the answer' just because I didn't want to be pregnant yet, even though I was happily married and had no financial problems, etc. I was treated like a cow. There was no explanation AT ALL by the abortionist regarding ANYTHING that could have helped me think twice about 'my' decision to have an abortion. Of course, it wasn't really 'my' decision at all. Everybody else decided for me. My husband didn't want me to abort, but all the professionals 'knew better what was best for me.' I still cannot tell anyone else about it, even though it's been over 20 years now. It's made me very pro-life, because I KNOW the deceit that goes on in so-called 'counseling.' Not one day goes by that I don't think about it with regret and sorrow. I also have accepted the Lord as my Savior, and that has helped."

Man of the Shroud Display ... from Spirit Catholic Radio ... will be at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church & Parish Hall from Aug. 30 – Sept. 3 ...** including Jim Bertrand's presentation, Sunday, August 30 at 3:00pm. More information in coming weeks.

Stress in 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. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning **August 21-23, 2020**, in **Schuyler, Nebraska** call 1-888-317-5654 or 308-986-2351 or www.HelpOurMarriage.org on the web.

Good Counsel Retreat House, July Retreats

Register for Online Retreats sponsored by Good Counsel Retreat House www.goodcounselretreat.com, 402-786-2705, or goodcounsel@cdolinc.net. **Throughout July** – "Surrender!" on-demand retreat with Fr. Larry Richards. **July 24-25** – "We are Not Alone" retreat on John 14 with Bart Schuchts of the John Paul II Healing Center.

Plan ahead for Upcoming in-person retreats including:

- **July 12-20**, 8-day and 4-day Directed Ignatian Retreats
- **Aug. 14-16**, a women's retreat with Fr. Sean Kilcawley
- **Aug. 28-30**, Unbound Retreat with Matt Simons & Fr. Gary Coulter

Three Reasons Why People Go to Mass ...

"Kids say the funniest things ... and they also have great insight. Children's wonder and innocence bring a perspective that can lead adults closer to Christ. As adults foster the creativity & knowledge of children, knowledge is given back."

"One nine-year-old gave his parents three reasons why people go to Mass, as he was playing Mass with his sister. Here are his three reasons: from the 'Tightrope' podcast on why people should go to Mass."

- *We go to Mass because it is what we do.*
- *We get to receive Jesus.*
- *We go because we love God.*

"Isn't that a great way to sum it up?"

"One of the greatest ways to foster a child's knowledge of God is through reading the Bible in a way that the child can understand." (Copied from an email from Ascension Press)

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

New Software for the Church HVAC Controls ... was installed LAST week; the system is working! The old HVAC controls installed 10 years ago for our new Church used JAVA software which now has security issues and is old technology. Johnson Controls, from Kearney installed a new software program and the necessary hardware at a cost of \$24,926.00. On Monday, some of the final checking and review of the installation will be done. Also the new software to operate the system will be installed on the Rectory Computer. There will probably be a couple of little pieces that will still be added in coming weeks. However, everything seems to be operational now. Thanks to all who made donations toward this needed and necessary expense!

Welcome for new Priests in McCook ... will be Friday evening in McCook. Thus, Friday Mass is at 12:10pm.

Liturgical Ministers

Lector		
Acolyte		
Server		
Music		
Gifts		
Ushers		
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Tuesday:	Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday:	Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

Prayers for the sick: Jennifer Schmid, Steve Haman, Sharon Beckius, Those affected with/by COVID-19, Theresa McCarthy-Garth, Young woman (with many difficult situations), Troy Tickle, Iris Wyman Lloyd, 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: 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 Schneeweis (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: 7/11 - Nicole Behm, 7/13 - Ashley Perlinger, 7/14 - Tiffany Hampton, 7/18 - Ken Bjornstad.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... Charlemagne, crowned Holy Roman Emperor on Christmas Day, 800, had a major interest in shaping the worship life of the church, and began a long period of reform and regulation. We owe many confirmation policies and practices to his rule. A baptized person was required to be confirmed as soon as the bishop's presence made it possible. Priests were expected to do their best in seeing to it that a newly-baptized child received the Eucharist. One twelfth-century ritual insists that if the child is not yet capable of eating or drinking, then the priest might give him or her some of the Precious Blood on a leaf or a finger. Despite the best efforts of the Empire to hold liturgical life together, the rules were not always lived out with great beauty. St. Richard of Chichester of thirteenth-century England, for example, was canonized for his holy life as a bishop. One of the remarkable signs of his sanctity was his willingness to climb down from his horse to confirm "merely baptized" layfolk who crossed his path! This praiseworthy practice points a finger of blame at less zealous bishops, whose casual attitudes revealed a sacrament in need of rescue. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GOD'S WORDS ... Each day we are bombarded with thousands of words. From the moment our clock radios click on in the morning, until the last moment of the day when the television is turned off or someone bids us "good-night," our life is filled with words. Some words that we hear bring news that leaves us feeling low. Some words lift our spirits. Many of the words we hear are trying to get us to buy something. Some words are hurtful. Today the Church focuses our attention on hearing the word of God. Are God's words just more of the same – part of the endless stream of words that flow into our ears each day? The challenge today is to allow God's word to inspire us in new ways so that our outlook and attitudes align themselves more closely with the heart and mind of Christ Jesus. —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LIVE TODAY ... Live today the way you will wish you had lived when you stand in judgment before God. — Anonymous

GOD WITHIN ... In everything, be it a thing sensed or a thing known, God is hidden within. — St. Bonaventure

Pray for our Seminarians: Isaac Karol Wahlmeier, from St. Michael Parish in Hastings. He entered the Seminary in 2018. He is in College 2 at St. Gregory the Great 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 ... (July) **Universal prayer intention - Our Families:** We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.



St. Isidore

• Emergency Services

• Refugee & Immigration Services

Hope In The Good Life

Emergency Services

Located in St. Isidore Gift & Thrift in Imperial, our Emergency Services program offers financial assistance to those struggling to pay rent or utilities to those in urgent need. Other services may also be available including:

- Food Pantry
- St. Christopher Vehicle Donation Program
- Assistance in applying for various state and federal assistance programs

Applications for assistance are taken every Wednesday, 2:00 PM-4:30 PM or by appointment.

Please provide the required documentation:

- Current bills
- Number of people in the household
- Current income
- If seeking rent assistance, documentation from current landlord
- If seeking utility assistance, most recent bill is required
- For other forms of assistance, you will be asked to provide documentation

Further details will be provided to you at your in-person appointment. For more information, contact:

Tonya Olsen
Emergency Services Coordinator
402.327.6299
tolsen@cssisus.org



Refugee & Immigration Services

For more than twenty years, Catholic Social Services has been certified by the Department of Justice (DOJ) to practice immigration law as authorized representatives. Our

partially accredited representative attends local and national trainings on immigration law including the annual convening hosted by Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC) of which

we are an affiliate. We legally represent immigration clients by compiling, writing, and submitting forms to United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Immigration Forms include:

- Adjustment of Status (Green Card) (Form I-485)
- Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card (green card) (I-90)
- U.S. Naturalization/Citizenship (Form N-400)
- Application for Certificate of Citizenship (N-600)
- Employment Authorization Document (work permit) (Form I-765)
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (Form I-812D)
- Application for Travel Document (I-131)
- Application for Fee Waiver (I-912)

Onsite interpretation for Arabic and Spanish is provided upon request at no additional charge. For more information, contact:

Drew Miller
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402.327.6244
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CLOSED Friday and Holy Days of Obligation

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY COUNSELING CENTER



PERFORMING THE WORKS OF MERCY



COUNSELING SERVICE

Catholic Social Services (CSS) offers community based mental health services through the Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center (IHMCC). Our staff of Licensed Psychologists and Licensed Mental Health Practitioners strives to meet the needs of our community through a wide range of counseling services, including individual, family/child, marital, group, crisis pregnancy, and post-abortion counseling. IHMCC is also the only Catholic APA-accredited pre-doctoral internship in the nation.

ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS FAMILIES WITH:

- ◆ Boundaries
- ◆ Social Media Addiction
- ◆ Trauma
- ◆ Depression
- ◆ Anxiety
- ◆ Marital and Relationship Issues
- ◆ Perfectionism
- ◆ Parenting
- ◆ Stress Management
- ◆ Healthy Coping Skills
- ◆ Communication Skills
- ◆ Vocational Discernment
- ◆ Personal Growth
- ◆ Pornography Addiction
- ◆ Forgiveness
- ◆ ADHD
- ◆ Autism/Asperger's
- ◆ Habit Disorders
- ◆ Pediatric Concerns
- ◆ Anger
- ◆ Grief
- ◆ Sexual Addictions
- ◆ Social Skills



OTHER SERVICES:

- ◆ Psychological Assessment
- ◆ Professional Consultation
- ◆ Academic Assessment
- ◆ Educational Consultant Program
- ◆ Public Speaking
- ◆ Training Workshops
- ◆ Adoption Search Program
- ◆ Project Rachel Counseling

All services are made through our Lincoln office location as well as several outreach sites and Telehealth services. Most insurance plans accepted.

IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL OF GOD