

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ***October 6, 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 **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	Oct. 7	8:00 a.m.
		7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Oct. 8	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Oct. 9	5:30 p.m.
6:00pm-10:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hour => Spend time with Jesus		
Thursday	Oct. 10	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Oct. 11	12:10 p.m.
		5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Oct. 12	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Oct. 13	8:00 a.m.
		10:00 a.m.

INTENTIONS

Unity in the Church
 Fr Melvin Rempe + (*Mass, Rosary Procession*)
 Pope Francis
 Carolina Martins+, Chris/Gisele Barger Fam
 Elli Fugate
 Martha Burbach +
 Fr. James Cooper +
 Brooke Tracy
 Malinda Bode +
 People of Our Parish

*Come, let us bow
 down in worship; let
 us kneel before the
 Lord who made us.*

— Psalm 95:6

Stewardship: September 29, 2019

Adult Envelopes:\$1,697.00
Loose Plate:.....\$259.00
Children:\$0.00
Holy Day: 0 \$0.00
Total:\$1,956.00

Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged:\$958,770.00
 Gifts last week:\$495.00
Total Gifts Received:.....\$830,113.05
 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:.....\$1,648,428.04
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... \$115,052.11

St. Patrick Church Bazaar,

Paxton, NE ... Turkey Dinner
 with all the trimmings! ... **Sunday,**
Oct. 6, 2019, 11:00am-1:30pm MDT.
 Adults=\$10.00; Kids 5-11=\$5.00;
 4 & under=Free. Raffle, Silent Auction,
 Cake Walk, Pumpkins, Country Market, Kid's
 Games, Baked Goods.

Parish Calendar

Sunday	Oct. 6	11:30am: Family Formation Parents' Meeting; 12:30pm: Pumpkin Festival Meeting; 2:00pm: Life Chain
Monday	Oct. 7	7:00pm Marian Mass, Consecration to Jesus through Mary; Rosary, Procession
Wednesday	Oct. 9	6:00pm - 10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm - 9:00pm: RCIA Classes in Parish Hall
Thursday	Oct. 10	1:00pm: Adult Bible Study in Parish Hall
Saturday	Oct. 13	8:00am Set up for Pumpkin Festival 12:00pm=Pray the Rosary at the Court House.
Sunday	Oct. 13	11:00am - 3:00pm: Pumpkin Festival; 6:30pm: Theology on Tap at Occasions (125 E. North Lake Rd.)

Catholic School News:

Upcoming Events: 10/6 - 10:30am - Confirmation @ Holy Spirit,
 10/7 - **NO SCHOOL** - Diocesan in-Service, 6:00pm - JV FBall vs. Southern Valley, 6:00pm - VB @ Southwest, 10/8 - 4:30pm - JH VBall vs. McCook, 10/10 - 4:00pm - JH VBall @ Adams MS, 5:00pm - SPVA CC @ Perkins Co., 5:00pm - VBall vs. Brady, 6:00pm - JH FBall @ Hershey, 10/11 - 7:00pm - FBall @ Mitchell, 10/12 - 9:00am - VBall Tri @ Hershey. *Come Pray with Us:* 7:30am Rosary led by a student of the Senior Class. 10/8 - St. Pat's Chapel & 10/16- McDauid Chapel.

God is Here... It is humbling to watch our student athletes at their sporting events take time to share a moment in prayer. A grateful heart is a beginning of greatness! It is a foundation for the development of such virtues as faith & courage. We're proud of ALL our students and how well they represent the values of our school.

Congratulations, Mr. Lynes! One of our own was voted #1 Coach through the North Platte Telegraph Reader's Choice Awards. We are proud and thankful for his commitment and dedication to our Catholic schools. Go Big GREEN!

It's getting closer to G.R.E.E.N.! Save the date for Saturday, October 19th and celebrate with the North Platte Catholic Schools. Dinner, drinks, games, prizes, Lucky Lotto, Spirit Wagons, and entertainment with the Fun Pianos! Watch the mail for your invitation, or contact the Endowment office for tickets: 308-534-5939. The Endowment is accepting donations of new items for the silent and live auctions. Contact Wendy Dodson: w.dodson@npcschools.org, 308-534-5939.

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

Magnificat Brunch ... Fr. Jim Janovec of Grand Island, will be the featured speaker at the Magnificat Brunch hosted by Our Lady of the Harvest Chapter on Oct. 26, 2019 at Paxton, NE at 9:00am(MT), at Ole's Steakhouse. Fr. Jim's topic is "Invitation to Priesthood Shrouded in Clouds of Doubt, then Enlightened by Faith." RSVP by Oct. 21 to Jean Krajewski, 902 E 4th, Ogallala, 308-289-6766, jakrajewski45@gmail.com.

Life Chain ... Join in the 32nd Annual National Life Chain on **TODAY, Sunday, Oct. 6**, from 2:00pm - 3:00pm. Signs will be available at 4th & Jeffers. What better way to express solidarity with all human life than to spend an hour in silent prayer to our Creator? For info. about how to participate, call 308-520-7843. For more info. about history of Life Chain, <http://www.nationallifechain.org/>.

Theology on Tap ... Fr. Jim Golka will speak at the next Theology on Tap. Join us on October 13 at 6:30pm at Occasions, 125 E. North Lake Rd. It is for young adults in their 20s and 30s.

Knights of Columbus Meeting ... Mon, Oct 14, 7:00pm, Parish Hall. All Knights are invited to attend.

Annual Marian Mass, Rosary, Candlelight Procession ... Monday, Oct. 7, 2019, 7:00pm Mass in Church, with the Rosary & an outdoor procession to follow.

Public Square Rosary Crusade ... Please join us on Saturday, Oct. 12, 12:00pm (Noon) at the Northeast corner of Lincoln County Court House to pray that our nation will "stop offending God" and avert His wrath. Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy. Please bring a lawn chair. For more info, call Joan (308-520-6800) or Mary (308-520-4568).

Pro-Life Diaper Drive ... The Diaper Drive continues through the end of October. The Centers we serve advise the Diaper sizes 4,5 & 6 are in greatest demand. Your diaper donations are greatly appreciated. Cash donations or checks made to the order of the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) will be accepted; mail to: LDCCW President, Kay Wessel, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements.

Catholic Daughters ... will meet Mon, Oct. 7, Mary / Martha room & Spiritual Life Center at St Patrick Church. Rosary at 6:45pm with regular meeting at 7:00pm. Please bring your handbook with you. All Catholic women are welcome & encouraged to come.

2019 Pumpkin Festival ... will be on **Sunday, October 13, 2019.** The Next Committee meeting is: **10/06/19.** Please pick up your **Raffle Tickets & be a BIG seller!** **Please Return your sold Raffle Tickets and money sometime BEFORE the Pumpkin Festival.** **Please do NOT wait to turn them in until Pumpkin Festival Sunday!**

Seeking arts and crafts for the Pumpkin Festival ... Anything you enjoy creating, we would love to sell! Some suggestions would be woodworking, sewing, painting, repurposed items, knitted or crocheted items, paper crafting, photography, quilts ... or anything creative you love doing and would like to donate. Autumn or Christmas items. Please have items ready by the first week in October (*for the Boutique*). Questions? Call Jan Daniel, 308-660-9407.

Volunteer ... Please sign up at the table in the Narthex to volunteer to help at the various booths. **Sign up for Cakes, Pies, cookies, muffins, breads, etc. (please, NO cream pies which means NO eggs and NO Milk).**

Please **pray** for good weather for the Pumpkin Festival. Ask the Lord to send us the weather that He knows we need and to get us ready to accept lovingly from His hands the weather that He sends us, and to work together as a Parish Family to build up the Kingdom of God.

Again this year, **10% of Pumpkin Festival net profit will be donated to charity: 5% to Women's Resource Center and 5% to Youth from our Parish going to a Youth Event or WYD.**

Silent Auction: For donations of new (or slightly used) items, please contact Ed Rieker (534-9211) or Jim Nisley (534-3391).

SET UP for Pumpkin Festival: Sat., Oct. 12 at 8:00am. Come help set up the tents!

8:00am Mass for Workers: Sunday, Oct. 13.

Servant Workshop ... Matt Simmons, Director of Evangelization & Spiritual Formation, will continue this 3-part series workshop on Oct. 7 & Nov. 4, 2019 at John XXIII Diocesan Center from 6:30-8:30pm. The workshop is intended for anyone involved in apostolic work, i.e., St. Vincent de Paul society, Catholic school teachers, Marriage Encounter, etc. and is designed to help you manifest Jesus more fully as you serve the people of God. The workshop is free and registration is kindly requested. For topic details and to register please visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/03-oe-servant-workshop-fall-2019>. Questions? Call 402-473-0615 or email Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net.

Cursillo Movement ... Are you being called to a Cursillo Weekend? Still undecided? How has Cursillo affected others?

- **Jeff Cavins**, a regular on EWTN and Spirit Catholic Radio, refers to Cursillo as "the best-kept secret in the Catholic Church."
- International speaker and author **Ralph Martin** says that "the most important thing that happened to me (other than birth), was to live a Cursillo ..." In an interview on **The Journey Home**, Ralph shared that toward the end of his Cursillo Weekend, "... in some ways, my vocation was born there, and I didn't even know it." **Marcus Grodi** (also a cursillista), founder of the **Coming Home Network** and host of **The Journey Home** then commented, "And you're still living that vocation today" (more than 40 years later).
- See what **Bishops Conley** and **Bruskewitz** have to say about Cursillo. Also see what **St. Pope Paul VI**, **St. John Paul II**, and **Pope Francis** have to say about Cursillo <http://www.seas-np.org/cursillo/PopesBishopsCommentsFlyer092219.pdf>

Cursillo Weekends are scheduled at Sacred Heart Parish in Hebron, NE, October 24-27, 2019 (Men) and November 7-10, 2019 (Women). If you would like more information about Cursillo or the 2019 Weekends, call or email Greg Vandenberg, Men's Weekend Coordinator (308-530-7587; glvandenberg@charter.net), or Kathy Springer, Women's Weekend Coordinator (402-826-2699; ks90710@windstream.net). There is also information on the Lincoln Diocese Cursillo webpage: <http://www.seas-np.org/cursillolincoln.html>.

More Children, More Love ... "When number nineteen came, the family gives him love. He got so much love from the family. When you have a large family, the children are getting all kinds of love from all their brothers and sisters. There's nothing more joyful than a baby. For every little mouth that God sends, He sends the little bit that is needed. I had faith in God that if He sent me a child, He was going to feed that child. I lived better than some families with two or three kids. My kids started doing things! It's not how many kids you have; it's your faith in God."

— Mrs. Lucille Dippolito, mother of 20.

FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:

RCIA Classes ... on Wednesdays in Parish Hall, 7:00pm – 9:00pm, will continue until mid-May 2020. It's not too late to join.

New Digital Sign ... A brick contractor removed the old brick from the sign & the new digital sign was installed on Monday, Sept. 30. New footings beside the existing footings will be dug & the remainder of the structure around the sign will be installed as materials are available.

Cursillo National Spiritual Advisor ... in June 2019, the Cursillo National Secretariat elected me to serve a three year term as the National Spiritual Advisor which began Oct 1, 2019. From Oct 22-29, I will be on a trip to Mallorca, Spain (an island southeast of Spain) for a Cursillo de Cursillos weekend, to help me in my role as National Spiritual Advisor.

Bishop's Appeal for Vocations ... "Anointed to Preach the Good News (Lk 4:18)". Two weeks ago (9/22/19), Bishop Conley's letter for the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations was read. **Every family has a card available on a table in the Narthex. Our Parish Goal is \$4,630.00.** This is our share of the Diocesan goal of \$800,000 which has been established by Bishop Conley. Your gifts and your prayers for our seminarians are much appreciated! Please support the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations.

Looking Back and Moving Forward

In November, our St. Elizabeth Ann Seton launched a new webpage which included: the bulletin on line, Mass Times for Parishes in our Diocese & across the entire United States, Ministry Assignment List, many links to good Catholic Web Sites, and much more. Also in November 2007, one of our Parishioners, Arley Christensen, suggested to Fr. Seiker that it would be a good idea to include the Pope's Intentions in our Bulletin. Because of his suggestion, the Holy Father's monthly intentions have been a regular part of our Parish Bulletin.

The last few days of December 2007, through a donation from a parishioner we were able to purchase a Lighthouse CD display Kiosk which was placed in the entryway of our Parish Hall. The Kiosk displayed 9 CD's and 3 pamphlets to deepen our appreciation and understanding of our Catholic faith.

From January 6-8, 2008, our Parish celebrated Forty Hours Eucharistic Adoration. Fr. Scott Courtney (*a priest of the Diocese of Lincoln, and Pastor of St. Peter Parish and St. Joseph Parish in Bellwood, religion teacher at Aquinas High School in David City*) gave three evening talks which were very Biblical and very interesting. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed in the Monstrance on the Altar after the 10:00am Mass on Sunday through the day and the night (*except during Weekday Masses*) until the closing at 6:00pm on Tuesday evening. After the closing talk and a short Eucharistic procession, we had a parish potluck supper on Tuesday evening, January 8. *"Thanks to all who gave of their time to spend an hour with our Eucharistic Lord during our Forty Hours Devotion, and those who came to listen to Fr. Scott Courtney. Thank you also to those who helped with the set up and clean up of the Potluck dinner on Tuesday evening. It was a nice way to observe the feast day (January 4) of our Patron Saint, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and to spend time with our Lord and with each other."*

On Sunday evenings during Lent & Easter 2008, our Parish hosted a Family Lenten Program: a 9-week Novena series entitled "Be Not Afraid". Confession, Exposition & Benediction were available many of the evenings. The theme during the 9 weeks was "Living Eucharist," so that we might better understand & appreciate the mystery of the Eucharist!

Liturgical Minister

	Sat., Oct. 12, 5:00pm	Sun., Oct. 13, 10:00am
Lector	Jim Nisley	Michael Lafleur
Acolyte	Jerry Volesky	Conrad Buhrman
Server	William Krondak	Jace Grunden
	Nicholas Krondak	Weston Hammond
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Peggy Orr
Gifts	Mike & Emily Krondak	Charles & Toni Barron
Ushers	Jerry Beckius	Jeff Orr
	Sharon Beckius	Volunteer
Rosary		

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday:	2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Prayers for the sick: Matt Reisen (Matt & Ashley Perlinger's friend), Margaret Ruskamp (Donna Bode's mother), Flood Victims, Special Intention, Carolyn Cohen, Tim Garth (Theresa McCarthy-Garth's son), Those struggling with Alcoholism, Mary Lou Robles & Patricia Zamora (Toni Barron's sisters), Renate Nordquist, Sharon Beckius, Mike & Kim Paul, Jim Beckius.

Prayers for the deceased: 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, 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: 10/5 - Harmon Johnsen, 10/6 - Calie Troyer, 10/7 - David Clouatre, 10/8 - James Krondak, Kanen Hammond, 10/10 - Chris Behm, 10/12 - Tyler Behm, Joanie Grunden.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ... Sometimes human relationships go awry, but Christ's choice for us is irrevocable. In marriage celebrations, the Church always recalls God's faithfulness to help prepare married couples for enduring the inevitable rough spots. The Byzantine liturgy does this by adorning the couple with crowns that remind them of the martyr's crown. The couple therefore takes on a vocation of witnessing to the sacredness of life in all of its suffering and joy, and of keeping their eyes fixed on the banquet of heaven. In Eastern theology, people have a liturgical vocation to give God praise, and marriage fits within that plan. It is not so much saying prayers that counts, but becoming prayer. Interestingly, in this liturgy the couple never utters a word other than joining in the community's chants; there are no marriage vows as such. There is therefore not a hint of our Western Christian sense that marriage is a legal contract. Rather, it is all about living out one's baptismal vocation, embracing the cross, pouring oneself out in love, and opening to the grace of the Holy Spirit. — James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

A LITTLE FAITH ... Today our readings are about faith, frustration, and how much is enough. Habakkuk is a complainer having an argument with God. Timothy is encouraging a community challenged by cowardice and the apostles want more faith than they have. Things aren't happening fast enough for any of them or for us. All of them and we want God to do something sooner rather than later and we want God to give us a reason to believe that it will all work out. What does God do? God puts it back on them – and us – telling Habakkuk to describe the world he wants; telling the apostles to do more than the expected. Doing more with less is a familiar phrase today and a reminder that a little faith may be enough even for the most difficult times. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

OPTIMISM ... A cheerful frame of mind that enables a tea kettle to sing though in hot water up to its nose. —Anonymous

SPEAKING OF GOD ... Almost everything said of God is unworthy, for the very reason that it is capable of being said. — St. Gregory the Great

LIVING A FAITH ... 'Tis not the dying for a faith that's so hard – every man of every nation has done that – 'tis the living up to it that's difficult. —William Makepeace Thackeray

Pray for our Seminarians: 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.

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 ... (October)

Evangelization: That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.