

# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



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## ***32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*** ***November 8, 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](mailto: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	Nov. 9	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
Tuesday	Nov. 10	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>
Wednesday	Nov. 11	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>6:00pm-10:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hours =&gt; Spend time with Jesus</b>		
Thursday	Nov. 12	8:00 a.m.
Friday	Nov. 13	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>
		<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
Saturday	Nov. 14	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>
Sunday	Nov. 15	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>

## INTENTIONS

Joseph David Barron +
Elli (Fugate) Schmidt
Beatrice Estrada +
Special Intention (jls)
For our Benefactors
Anna Lee
People of our Parish
Eloise Kramer +

*Stay awake,  
for you know  
neither the day  
nor the hour.*

—Matthew 25:13

## **Stewardship: November 1, 2020**

**Adult Envelopes:** .....\$1,932.50  
**Loose Plate:**.....\$50.00  
**Children:**.....\$0.00  
**Holy Day:** (All Saints Day) ..... \$300.00  
**Total:** .....\$2,282.50

### Joy of the Gospel Campaign

Total Pledged: .....\$958,770.00  
 Gifts last week: .....\$350.00  
**Total Gifts Received:.....\$896,143.05**  
 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:.....\$1,712,678.04  
 Balance on DIAL LOAN:..... \$54,536.89

Propagation of the Faith: ..\$70.00

### **Parish Calendar**

Sunday	Nov. 8	<b>11:30am:</b> Daughters of Charity Meeting, In person in Parish Hall ( <i>observing a social distance</i> ) <b>and</b> via Zoom
Monday	Nov. 8	<b>7:00pm:</b> Knights of Columbus Meeting, In person in Parish Hall ( <i>observing a social distance</i> ) <b>and</b> via Zoom
Wednesday	Nov. 11	<b>6:00pm – 10:00pm:</b> Eucharistic Adoration; <b>7:00pm – 9:00pm:</b> RCIA Classes in Person and via Zoom
Thursday	Nov. 12	<b>1:00pm:</b> Adult Bible Study via Zoom (contact Teri Volesky)

### **Catholic School News:**

**Upcoming Events:** Nov. 8-10: 4:00pm- Sr. Retreat, Nov. 9-13: Online McDaid Book Fair, Nov. 10: 2:00pm-JH WR @ Hershey.

**Online Book Fair:** The Fair runs from Nov. 9-22, and will feature a Virtual Fair walk-through so you and your kids can experience the magic of the school shopping experience: Browse titles by grade, meet popular authors, and much more! All purchases will benefit our school directly. Click: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mcdaidelementaryschool>.

**School Board Elections 2020-21:** School Board elections are taking place this weekend. One candidate will be elected from Holy Spirit and one candidate will be elected from St. Patrick. Todd Brosius & Erika Miles are running in Holy Spirit Parish. Cassie Condon, Natalie Gifford & Lannae Phelps are running for this position in St. Patrick parish.

**SCRIP:** SCRIP is your one-stop shop for gift cards! SCRIP offers both local and national retailers, with hundreds of options to choose from ... 2% from all SCRIP purchases is designated for tuition assistance for families at the NPCCS. 1) Purchase in-person at the Endowment Office, 601 S. Tabor Ave. between 8:00am – 4:00pm daily. 2) Create an online SCRIP account at: [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) using the NPCCS enrollment code 41B837676942. Contact Endowment office any time with SCRIP questions, or place your order: 308-534-5939, [w.dodson@npcschools.org](mailto:w.dodson@npcschools.org).

**Thank You!** Our Fall Senior High Concert was a huge success. Many thanks to all that contributed by donating pies for our raffle, baked goodies, helped with set-up & clean up, and attended. We are so happy with the results & we can't thank you enough! -Mrs. Winder & Mr. Korensky.

**Enrollment is Open:** Enrollment is open! If you or someone you know would be interested in learning more about our schools, please contact PR/Enrollment Director, Gwen Covey @ 308/532-1874 or [g.covey@npcschools.org](mailto:g.covey@npcschools.org).

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

**Emmaus Institute Classes ...** Register now for the following in-person or online winter classes with The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies, running Nov. 30-Feb. 18: Studying Ecclesiastes: A Journey Toward a Meaningful Life, The Historical Books (Joshua-Maccabees), Heaven Help the Home: Recapturing a Biblical Vision of Marriage and Family, and Encountering Jesus in The Gospel of Luke. Learn more and register now at [www.emmausinstitute.net](http://www.emmausinstitute.net)

### **Daughters of Charity (Altar Society) Meeting:**

will be **Sunday, November 8, 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, Nov. 9,**

**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.*

**PRAYER TO ST MONICA ...** The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women has designated the month of November to the Indianola Deanery Council for prayers to St. Monica. We offer our prayers through St. Monica's intercession for the spiritual and physical safety of our children. **Please take time and pray this prayer each day during November. PRAYER TO ST. MONICA**

O God, You are the comfort of those who mourn and the savior of all who trust in You. Blessed Monica's loving tears moved You to convert her son, Augustine. Help us who pray to You for the salvation of our sons and daughters, too. May we also grieve for our own sins and win the grace of Your pardon through the intercession of this loving Saint, through Christ our Lord. Amen  
**St. Monica, Pray For Us!**

### **LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive ...**

Thank you to those who donated. We received the following donations: Size 3 (104); Size 4 (36); Size 5 (25) = Total 165 diapers and 30 youth training pants. We also received \$25 in donations. Other cash donations may be placed in the collection basket or in the Church collection slot by the Rectory in a marked envelope "Daughters of Charity Diaper Drive." Make checks payable to the "Daughters of Charity." The Daughters of Charity will write one check to Women's Resource Center for them to purchase diapers as needed. God Bless You.

**Cardinal Bernardin on Life ...** “Not all values, however, are of equal weight. Some are more fundamental than others. I wish to emphasize that no earthly value is more fundamental than human life itself. Human life is the condition for enjoying freedom and all other values. Consequently, if one must choose between protecting or serving lesser human values that depend upon life for their existence and life itself, human life must take precedence. Today the recognition of human life as a fundamental value is threatened. Nowhere is this clearer than in the case of elective abortion.” (Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, “Deciding for Life,” October 1, 1989).

**Day of Equipping, Dec. 4-5 in Hastings ...** Do you desire to be equipped to live into the fullness that Christ intended for each of His followers? If so, this Two Day Equipping Event, led by Bart Schuchts of the John Paul II Healing Center, is for you! During the training, you will learn the foundations of abiding in Christ, hearing His voice and becoming empowered to pray for others as Jesus did. If you desire to do the works that Jesus did and to live more fully into the calling Christ described in John 14:12, we invite you to attend! This Two Day Equipping event takes place at St. Michael Parish (Hastings), Dec. 4-5. Register online [www.jpilhealingcenter.org](http://www.jpilhealingcenter.org). Scholarships available.

**Good Counsel Retreat House Retreats** Register for Online & in person Retreats sponsored by Good Counsel Retreat House [www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com), 402-786-2705, or [goodcounsel@cdolinc.net](mailto:goodcounsel@cdolinc.net).  
**Upcoming in-person and online retreats including:**

- Nov. 13-15: M/W, Fr. Matt Rolling, *Couch to Saint: Training to Be an Authentic Follower of Christ* (in-person and online)
- Dec. 4-6: M/W, Fr. Ben Holdren, *The Mystery of Marriage Revealed* (in-person and online)
- Dec. 19: M/W, Fr. Jeff Eickhoff, *God is Not Socially Distant* (9:00am – 4:00pm; in-person and online)

**Did You Miss the Pro-Life Conference? ...** If you missed our online conference last Saturday which featured keynote speaker George Weigel, you can still watch the recording! Full uninterrupted recording on our Facebook page ([https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=385268052607577&ref=watch\\_permalink](https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=385268052607577&ref=watch_permalink)).

You can also access the Zoom recordings of each talk on our website: (<https://necatholic.org/news-events/pro-life-conference.html>)

“**We are the Times**” - Panel Discussion with Bishop Hanefeldt, Cristina Barba Whalen, Founder of the Culture Project, and Kevin Grillot, Executive Director of weDignify.

“**JPII as a Model for Redeeming the Time**” - George Weigel

“**Roe v. Wade and Redeeming the Law**” - Marion Miner

**Archbishop Lucas: The right to life is a “human right”**  
... Responding to an essay misrepresenting Catholic social teaching, Archbishop George J. Lucas offered a clear and direct statement in the Omaha World-Herald regarding the preeminence of the abortion issue in our culture today:

“Catholic social teaching is multifaceted, but it is not complicated. Its central focus is the life and dignity of every human person. Our opposition to the injustice of abortion will not be credible when we fail to recognize and work to eliminate other serious threats to human life and dignity, including racism, the environmental crisis, the inhumane treatment of migrants and refugees, poverty and the imposition of the death penalty. At the same time, work to establish justice in other areas is undercut by any perceived lack of strong support for the protection of the right to life in the womb of the most vulnerable members of the human family.” The full response is at [https://omaha.com/opinion/columnists/midlands-voices-abortion-remains-a-preeminent-moral-concern-archbishop-writes/article\\_7f4b60d1-9833-52c0-952a-4152c9e1aacd.html](https://omaha.com/opinion/columnists/midlands-voices-abortion-remains-a-preeminent-moral-concern-archbishop-writes/article_7f4b60d1-9833-52c0-952a-4152c9e1aacd.html)

**PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD ...** “It is a holy & pious thought to pray for the dead.” (2 Macc 12:45). One of the corporal works of mercy is to pray for the dead. Those persons whom we have loved during their life here on earth, we should still remember to pray for after they have died. **The best prayer of all is the Mass.** Envelopes are available at the Bulletin Board in the Narthex to request Masses to be offered for the repose of the soul of any of your loved ones. The usual Mass stipend is \$10.00. Simply write the name of the deceased person on the envelope and your name and enclose \$10.00. If you write a check, please make the check payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church and write “Mass Stipend” in the memo. The Mass intentions are listed in the Bulletin. Pray for the dead!

An indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the dead. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in purgatory. **This plenary indulgence is from Nov. 1 – 30 (all of Nov. due to COVID-19) & can be gained on each one of these days.** On other days of the year this indulgence is a partial one.

**Due to Pandemic:** The elderly, the sick and all those who for serious reasons cannot leave their homes, for example because of restrictions imposed by the competent authority in this time of the pandemic, ... will be able to obtain the Plenary Indulgence as long as they join spiritual with all the other faithful, completely detached from sin and with the intention of complying as soon as possible with the three usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer according to the Holy Father's intentions), before an image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary, recite pious prayers for the deceased, for example ... the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, other prayers for the deceased dearest to the faithful, or read a Gospel passage used at Funerals, or perform a work of mercy by offering to God the sorrows and hardships of their own lives.

An indulgence is the remission of the temporal punishment due to sins that have already been forgiven. An indulgence can be gained by doing certain works of devotion, penance & charity, under conditions that the Church has set down. An indulgence is partial or plenary, as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. (CCC 1471) The official list of works & prayers that have an indulgence attached to them, as well as the conditions that must be met, are contained in The Handbook of Indulgences.

Besides the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin, the requirements for gaining a plenary indulgence are the performance of the indulgenced work and fulfillment of three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, prayer for the pope's intentions. The three conditions may be carried out several days before or after the performance of the prescribed work. But it is more fitting that the communion & the prayer for the pope's intentions take place on the day the work is performed.

**The Catholic Moms Summit ...** Discover How to Find Lasting Balance, Peace, & Joy. November 13-15, 2020.

Calling all Mothers & Grandmothers! The Catholic Moms Summit is a **FREE online event Nov 13-15**. Join women from all around the world for this unprecedented gathering! The Catholic Moms Summit is FREE, online, and includes some of the most trusted and loved Catholic women experts as they go deep in to the issues mothers and grandmothers face every day. It will be filled with powerful and practical sessions on everything from parenting, to prayer, work/life balance, health, and much more!

The list of over 80 presenters includes: Danielle Bean, Kimberly Hahn, Lisa Brenninkmeyer, Lila Rose, Pam Barnhill, Lisa Hendej, Crystalina Evert, Elizabeth Foss ... and many more! Please be sure to register at [www.CatholicMomsSummit.com](http://www.CatholicMomsSummit.com) and tell all moms you know!

**FROM FR. MARK SEIKER:**

**Bishop's Appeal for Vocations ... “Peace Be With You”.** Our Parish Goal=\$4,510.00 (our share of the \$800,000 Diocesan goal). We received 18 gifts totaling \$7,500.00 Last year 40 parishioners gave \$9,967.00. Your gifts and your prayers for our seminarians are much appreciated! Please support the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations.



## Liturgical Ministers

<b>Lector</b>		
<b>Acolyte</b>		
<b>Server</b>		
<b>Music</b>		
<b>Gifts</b>		
<b>Ushers</b>		
<b>Rosary</b>		

## Readings for the Week

Monday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday:	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

**Prayers for the sick:** Sheila Exner, Leo Walz, Cathy Leathers, Tucker Smith, Robert Wessell, J.D. Troyer, Dean & Janice Large, Jennifer Schmid, Steve Haman, Sharon Beckius, Those affected with/by COVID-19, Theresa McCarthy-Garth, Troy Tickle, Iris Wyman Lloyd, Peggy Lawler, 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:** 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 Cloutre, 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 Cloutre, Bernadine Torres, Martha Burbach, Luke Ranck.

**Birthdays/Anniversaries:** 11/7 - Toni Barron, 11/8 - Matt Perlinger, 11/11 - Ron Jones, George Kucera, 11/12 - Kelli Nisley, 11/13 - Monica Kramer, Mitch Gregg, Addison Belgum, 11/14 - Brandon Niesen, 11/15 - Nicholas Volesky.

**Congratulations:** to Jerry & Betty Steffes who celebrate their 61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary Nov. 7.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ...** For several weeks, we have considered penance as a sacrament of forgiveness, and yet there are two other sacraments in this category. The first, of course, is the Eucharist itself. The other is the sacrament of the sick, long associated with penance. The Letter of James sets out the deep tradition for caring for the sick: sending for the priests, who will pray and lay their hands on the sick ones, anointing them with oil, and giving them forgiveness. Long before other rites of penance developed, the sacrament of the sick was therefore a profound experience of forgiveness. Jesus often healed the sick, nearly always as a visible sign of forgiveness of sin. The tradition didn't unfold smoothly, however, and within a few centuries the oil of the sick was taken home to be applied by caregivers as a salve, or even to be drunk as a medicine. As early as the second century, bishops were therefore urging that priests should be the ones to visit those separated by illness from the Sunday assembly. Thus the practice of consigning the Eucharist and the oil of the sick to the non-ordained faithful to bring home was relatively short-lived. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED ...** If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are – if we think about it – to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it. Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn't tell it to make us dour and somber. The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen – is bound to happen – so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**FOUNDATION ...** Wisdom is the foundation, and justice the work without which a foundation cannot stand. — St. Ambrose

**GOD'S WILL ...** Lord, if your people need me, I will not refuse the work. Your will be done. — St. Martin de Tours

**EVANGELIZATION ...** I will go anywhere and do anything in order to communicate the love of Jesus to those who do not know him or have forgotten him. — St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

**Pray for our Seminarians:** David Patrick Tines, from St. Joseph Parish in Lincoln. He entered the Seminary in 2018. He is in College 4 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 ...**

**(November) Universal Prayer Intention – Artificial Intelligence:** We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.