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ST. ELIZABETH

ANN SETON

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst Parish Coordinator: Ashley Perlinger (Bulletin, website, sign,

choir, miscellaneous)

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entry)

Mass Times: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 10:00am, Weekdays & Holy Days as posted in bulletin Confession: Saturdays 4:00pm-4:35pm, Sundays 9:00am-9:35am Offered any time by appointment. Half hour before Friday Masses for 15 minutes

Baptism

Contact priest to set up appointment.

Matrimony

Contact priest first before date is set and at least 6 months prior.
Classes and retreat required.
Anointing of the Sick

Contact priest or parish office.

Education: CCD, Sundays 11:30am-12:30pm. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A), contact office or pastor for more information.

Office Hours: Mondays-Tuesdays, 8:30am-1:30pm. Wednesdays

3:00pm-6:30pm

All bulletin news due at noon the Wednesday before the Sunday it is to appear. Email rectory-office@seas-np.org.

January 15, 2023: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions			
Monday 1/16	8:00 am	Friends & Benefactors of Donor	
Tuesday 1/17	8:00 am	+ Charles Safford	
Wednesday 1/18	5:30 pm	Triumph of the Immaculate Heart	
Thursday 1/19	8:00 am	Susan Safford	
Friday 1/20	8:00 am	Names in Book of Blessings/Memories	
Saturday 1/21	5:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo	
Sunday 1/22	10:00am	+Martha Burbach & Barb, Jim & Randy	

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS January 21-22, 2023 (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Michael Krondak	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Spencer Hampton
Server	Elijah Heimann	Xavier Pieper
	James Krondak	Liam Pieper
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Volunteer Needed
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Steve & Janet Fear	Duane & Heather Johnsen

Stewardship: January 1, 2023- \$2,996, **January 8**: 2,101.79

Know dear brothers and sisters that as we have rejoiced in the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy, we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior. Ash Wednesday will fall on the 22nd day of February, as will the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the 9th day of April, you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the 18th day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the 28th day of May, the Feast of Pentecost. On the 11th day of June, the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the 3rd day of December, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen—taken from the Roman Missal.

<u>Thank you</u> to all who removed the Christmas decorations and put them away for next year. Your gifts of time were appreciated!

<u>Year-End Statements for 2022</u> will be ready for pick up the weekend of January 21-22.

<u>The Parish & Finance Council</u> (combined) Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 29 after Mass in the Conference Room.

<u>Fr. Rand will be</u> gone after Mass on Tuesday January 17 to attend the Priest's Deanery meeting in McCook.

This is worth checking out to enhance your prayer life! Pray More Novenas was created to help you pray by sending you each novena prayer for 9 days. It has transformed the prayer life of thousands of people by bringing them closer to God in a consistent way. We pray that this free service will bless you in the same way! Read more at: https://www.praymorenovenas.com/

Thank you to all who were involved in the celebration of our Feast Day last weekend—what a packed setting with good fellowship. The laughter, smiles, service to one another, and all the efforts that went into it before, during, and after will find blessings through the intercession of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

<u>The children were lined</u> up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head

of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples..."

Was one of your New Year's resolutions to dive back into your faith life? Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly has retreats to help foster that relationship with God. Join us for the "Meet Me at the Well: Women's Spiritual Exercises" retreat, "Unbound: Freedom in Christ" with Fr. William Holoubek on Feb. 3-5, and the "Winter Symposium" with the LDCCW on Feb. 10-11, I+U+We Marriage Workshop with Fr. Jaroslaw "Jay" Szymczak Love and life workshops for couples on Feb. 24-26, In the Presence of Our Lord with Fr. Loras Grell March 10-12, Following the lord, Little by Little with Fr. Innocent C.F.R. on March 31-Apr.2, True Devotion to Mary with Msgr. Dan Seiker on April 21-23, and God's Beautiful Beloved with Sr. Anne Marie Walsh SOLT on May 12-13. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

Learn Your Faith Every Day: I recommend two daily podcasts from Fr. Mike Schmitz, which you can play on a smart phone, tablet, or computer: The Bible in a Year, which he recorded in 2021 and is re-releasing again daily; and The Catechism in a Year, which is being produced and released now. More information at: AscensionPress.com.

McCook St. Patrick & St. James Game Feed:

Tables are available for purchase for the Feb. 18th event at the Curtis Community Center. Advanced tables are available for \$300 (50 total tables). The advanced purchase gets you a reserved seating for 8, an appetizer tray for the table, and 8 drink tickets. Call the McCook rectory or Fr. Kimminau's cell, (402) 480-4137, to reserve your spot.

Confirmation at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish with Bishop Conley will be held at the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, February 18.

THE DIOCESE OF LINCOLN requires its employees and volunteers report any allegations of abuse or neglect of a minor or elder connected with church related activity to law enforcement, consistent with the requirements of Nebraska Law. If anyone has information that a minor or elder is being or has been subjected to abuse or neglect please report it immediately to local law enforcement or to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services toll-free number 1-800-652-1999, and also to any Parish, Pastor, School Administrator, Teacher, or to any Diocesan official at the Catholic Chancery (402) 488-0921, so that immediate steps may be taken for the protection of the minor or elder.

Pilgrimage to Greece: The Footsteps of St. Paul the Apostle Lead by Fr. Brendan Kelly May 31 – June 9 informational meeting Tuesday, January 24 at 7:00pm, St. John's Social Hall, 7601 Vine. Anne Fuldby-Olsen, who is from Greece and who created the itinerary, will lead the meeting. For brochure: https://executivetravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Footsteps-of-Apostle-Paul-2023-Fr.-Brendan-Kelly-CATGR23-e-version-09292022-UA.pdf or call Barb Wallingford 402-430-5811

The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—

the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us already know a lot about him, how well can we say we really know him? Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life on him as you come to know and love him in an ever-deeper and more intimate way. This Bible study starts on Monday January 30 at 7:00 pm at Holy Spirit- North Platte. Registration deadline is January 16 and the cost is \$30. Call Holy Spirit at (308) 534-6623 or stop by the office to register.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE:

"Becoming One in Heart and Love together, through Our Couple Communication." Feb. 10-12 in Lincoln. Call right away to reserve a place. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger, 303-604-6202.

The students of NPCS are engaging in another humanitarian service project and they are asking for the support of the North Platte community and surrounding area. A year ago, these students partnered with local retired optometrist, Dr. Kim Baxter, in his mission to help the impoverished people of western Kenya. They set out to raise \$3500 to replace the text books and school supplies that were lost in a fire that destroyed a school and boarding house for orphans. Due to strong support from the North Platte area communities, they raised over \$12,000! The additional funds raised were used to fund medical camps for the children. including the immunization of many against typhoid. This year, the students are hoping to raise \$10,000 to rebuild one of the classrooms that was destroyed in that same fire, nearly two years ago. They are also collecting used eyeglasses, in support of Dr. Baxter's eye care mission to benefit people of all ages, in that same area of western Kenya. Within the next few weeks, several of the students will be giving talks at area churches, both catholic and protestant, hoping to raise awareness and support of their project. For those who wish to contribute, they can deliver or mail their check to either St. Patrick's High School or McDaid Elementary School. Donated eyeglasses can also be delivered to either of the schools. They ask that checks be made out to their partnering organization, "North Platte Rotary Club".

Join a half-day Pro-Life retreat by Sr. Deirdre Byrnes: religious sister, medical doctor, patriot. "Witnessing to Life No Matter the Cost" at John XXIII Center, Lincoln on Thurs. Jan. 19, 8:30am-2:00pm, sponsored by OneHeartOneMind. Space is limited: email prolifeinitiative@protonmail.com or Venmo \$25 to @goodcounselretreat by Jan. 16; includes lunch.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shoot for boys and girls ages 9-13 will be January 15 at St Patrick's at 1:00pm. Mark your calendars!

Walk for Life, Lincoln: There's something NEW with the annual Nebraska Walk for Life! In celebration of the reversal of Roe v Wade, the inaugural Walk for Life Gala, a fundraiser for Nebraska Right to Life, will be held the night before the Walk. Come for either or both. This year's featured speaker, Dr. John Bruchalski, will be participating in both events, and will describe his journey from a physician performing abortions to a leading light in pro-life medicine. Tickets for the Gala, which will be at Embassy Suites in Lincoln on Friday, January 27, 2023, are \$50, and can be purchased online at nebraskarighttolife.ticketspice.com/2023, or send a check made out to Nebraska Right to Life (noting it is for Gala), PO Box 80410, Lincoln, NE 68501-0410. The Nebraska Walk for Life on January 28 begins at the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. followed by the walk to

<u>Pope Francis' Intentions for January</u>: For Educators: We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all

the UNL Student Union and Dr. Bruchalski's keynote

speech at 11:30.

St. Pat's School News: Jan. 16-17, 19-20: SPVA Basketball Tourney Jan 16: 4:00PM-JH Boys Bball vs. NPMS, Jan. 18: 4:15PM-Res Boys Bball @ NPHS, Jan. 19: 4:00PM-JH Boys Bball @ NPMS, Jan. 20: 11:00AM-WR @ South Loup, Jan. 21: SPVA Girls & Boys Basketball Tourney. Featured Teacher: Hello! I am Mrs. Guthrie. I teach junior high math and Geometry at St. Patrick's High School. I have three kids that attend NPCS. In my free time, I enjoy hiking, walking, board games, and putting together puzzles. The other events I partake in at St. Pat's are Speech, which I coach! In the community, I am involved in the Platte River Fitness Series. I teach at St. Pat's because we made the decision to send our kids here and I enjoy the supportive families. The smaller class sizes at St. Pat's has been very beneficial and I appreciate that I'm given the opportunity to use curriculums that greatly benefit and challenge my students. Our Preschool & Kindergarten enrollment is currently taking place and space is filling up fast! We will be hosting an 'Information Night' for Preschool & Kindergarten on Wednesday, February 1 @ 6PM in the McDaid Gym. This evening is for families that have already registered their student and for families that are just interested in learning more about what NPCS has to offer. * New & Transferring

families-we are now accepting registrations for ALL GRADE levels for the 2023 school year. If you plan to attend the information night or would like a private tour, please email or contact Gwen Covey @ 532-1874 or g.covey@npcshools.org We look forward to seeing you! THANK YOU for Your Amazing Support in 2022! Your generous gifts to the NPCS Endowment-Trust, Inc. directly supported the following missions and projects at NPCS: *Tuition Assistance for Families *Faculty Salaries *Facility Operations *Campus Improvements *Technology *Great Teaching Fund Scholarships for Educators *Alumni Relations Gifts to the Endowment directly support the students, families, and staff of the North Platte Catholic Schools. We hope you will continue to help us fulfill the mission of the North Platte Catholic Schools in this new year as well. Gifts to the Endowment's Annual Fund can be made online at any time by visiting: apps.npcschools.org/donate-now.

Join your Spirit Catholic Radio family for a wonderful evening of faith and friendship! Our 2023 Spirit Celebration Dinner will be held Saturday evening, February 4, 2023 at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, IA! This year, our special guest speaker, Jeff Cavins, will present on Life of a Disciple – Taking your Faith to the Next Level. Reserve your seat by January 20, 2023 for \$50. For more details and ticket purchasing, visit spiritcatholicradio.com/dinner.

<u>Saint Patrick's Sunday Breakfast – Date Change</u>
<u>This Month Only:</u> Due to a scheduling conflict, the Saint Patrick's Sunday Breakfast will only be on the 4th Sunday this month. Breakfast will be on Sunday, January 22, instead of the 15th. This change only affects January. The Knights will be in the kitchen again this month. Plan on joining us on January 22!

<u>Creighton Model</u> is a women's health science that allows users to learn more about their fertility and in conjunction with NaPro TECHNOLOGY treat any underlying reproductive conditions. Introductory sessions are available in person or online. Private instruction is encouraged for all interested in learning more. For more information or to register, visit, https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/creighton-introductory-session.

Prayer Intentions: Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. ♣= repose of soul. Wilma Reeves, ♣Msgr. Ivan Vap, ♣Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, ♣Cardinal Pell