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# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. John Birkel  
Parish Coordinator:  
Ashley Perlinger (Ministries,  
website, sign, choir, miscellaneous)  
Parish Council Members: Mikala  
Miller, Don Kuchta, Cindy Swanson,  
& Ron Tejral  
Trustees: Duane Johnsen & Spencer  
Hampton  
Mass Times: Saturday 5:00pm,  
Sunday 10:00am, Weekdays & Holy  
Days as posted in bulletin  
Confession: Saturdays 4:00pm-  
4:30pm, Sundays 9:00am-9:30am  
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: Family Home Study or  
Catholic School; Adult Entry into  
Catholic Faith (O.C.I.A), contact  
office or pastor for more  
information.

\*All bulletin news due at noon the  
Wednesday before the Sunday it is to  
appear. Email [rectory-office@seas-np.org](mailto:rectory-office@seas-np.org).\*

### February 1, 2026: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### *Mass Intentions*

Monday 2/2	7:00am	Gary Ryland & Family
Tuesday 2/3	No Mass	
Wednesday 2/4	5:30pm	+Christopher Paul Beckius
Thursday 2/5	8:00am	+Ray Spindler
Friday 2/6	5:30pm	NP Alumni & Book of Memories
Saturday 2/7	5:00pm	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday 2/8	10:00am	Ron Walraven

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

February 7 – 8, 2026 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	Loren Baxa	Cindy Swanson
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Duane Johnsen
Server	Jeffrey Peiffer	Johnathan Birulkin
	Volunteer Needed	Jacob Birulkin
Music	Monica Mordja	Choir
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Galen Warburton	Jeff Orr

**Stewardship: January 25, 2026:** Adult- \$2,737, Loose Plate- \$219, Maintenance- \$20, Total- \$2,976

**The Knights of Columbus** will conduct the One Rose One Life campaign this weekend. This supports purchase of ultrasound machines and assistance in pregnancy and beyond throughout Nebraska.

**The Presentation of the Lord** recalls the fact that Jesus himself was presented in the Temple to the Father. Jesus was sent by the Father, who is the origin of all, and the culmination of Jesus mission is to present everything back to the Father, after having destroyed every enemy. This reminds us that we all belong to God, and to God alone. Therefore, nobody can own another human being, or have a veto power over another's rights, or decide whether another lives or dies. Nobody's choice takes precedence over anybody's life. That is why no individual or nation can permit the act of abortion. May we rededicate ourselves to God and to a respect for every human life, which belongs only to Him. – *Pro-Life Leader Frank Pavone*

**This is a final notice** regarding Confirmation. If you haven't yet, please get in touch with Fr. Birkel by Feb. 8 or your child will not be able to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Lenten Encounter for Women:** All women ages 16+ are invited to a Lenten evening of prayer of reflection, creating the space to encounter Christ and prepare our hearts for Lent. **SUNDAY, FEB 15 // 6:30PM// ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**There will be a table** selling Holy Land Olive Art to support Catholics in the Holy Land. They will be in the narthex after Masses on Jan. 31 & Feb 1.

**The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration** invite single Catholic women, ages 18-40, who are curious about religious life, to their Monastic Experience February 27-March 1, at their monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the Sisters in praying the

Divine Office, daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, as well as experiencing Lectio Divina (praying with Scripture) and gaining wisdom from the Benedictine tradition. There is no cost to attend, and more details are available at [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org) - Vocations - Events, including additional dates for 2026. To register, please contact Sister Nancy Rose at (660) 944-2221 ext. 142 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org) or complete the form at <https://bit.ly/4skj3Xa>

**Farm House Update:** We have renters for the April through October. We will need volunteers to paint on Saturday, February 7, beginning in the morning. Please bring painting supplies. Regarding donations, we now have a kitchen table and chairs, a bed, towels, sheets, a toaster, and a coffee pot. We may be receiving a set of dishes and pans soon. We appreciate everyone that has stepped up to help and donate!

**"Who gave man his mouth?** Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the Lord?" – Ex.4:11

Reflection: God does not make mistakes. When a human being is alive, it is because God wants him or her to be alive. People do not have to measure up to our standards or expectations in order to have dignity and deserve protection.

Prayer: Lord, I pray for all those who are disabled, frail, and ill. Give them your strength and peace, and give us the eyes to see their dignity and value.

**Please pray for** McGivney Swanson of St. Cecilia Parish in Hastings. He is in the Propaedeutic Stage at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

**Please pray** for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood in our Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses.

**Prayers Requests:** +JoAnn Scharf, +Paul Nordquist +Rex Boggs +Christopher Beckius +Tyler Beckius