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ST. ELIZABETH

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst
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 Perlinger (Ministries, website,
 sign, choir, miscellaneous)
 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-
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January 12, 2025: The Baptism of the Lord

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Monday 1/13	8:00 am	+Don Neuman
Tuesday 1/14	7:00 am	+Tyler Behm
Wednesday 1/15	5:30 pm	Jessica Navin
Thursday 1/16	8:00 am	+Bob Zeleny
Friday 1/17	8:00 am	Poor Souls
Saturday 1/18	5:00 pm	Missa pro populo
Sunday 1/19	10:00 am	+Virgilio Tangarorang

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS January 18-19, 2025 (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	Mary Herout	John Bode
Acolyte	Phil Heimann	Ron Tejral
Server	Elijah Heimann	Kolbe Tejral
	James Krondak	Keaton Hampton
Music	Volunteer Needed	Greg Vandenberg
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Spencer Hampton/Dave Beran

Stewardship: Adult \$1988.00, Advent Challenge \$200.00

North Platte Theology on Tap is Sunday January 19 at Apeship Brewery at 6 pm with Kevin & Jennifer Fuller. For ages 21-45. First drink is free. Complimentary snacks.

Thank you to all members of the Daughters of Charity who helped set-up, serve-and clean up at our Feast Day celebration last Saturday evening and by extension Sunday lunch. Despite the weather, there was good fellowship. Many thanks also to those who added to the provided chicken with side dishes and desserts, and to those who helped others get to their vehicles and clear their windshields of ice.

Thank you to John Bode, Dave Beran and anyone else who assisted in clearing snow on the sidewalks and putting out ice melt!

Bible Study at North Platte Holy Spirit Catholic Church *First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community* explores the key elements of the gospel message that Paul introduced to a new and growing Church. Presenter Tim Gray examines Paul's advice for living an authentic Christian life in a pagan culture as well as his teachings about the nature of grace, the Church as the body of Christ, and the most powerful gift of all—the Eucharist. Beginning February 10th for 11 Sessions. Classes at 1pm and/or 7pm. Workbooks cost 28.00 each Registrations must be in to the church office by 4:30pm or January 20th.

Steve Angrisano will present in North Platte at Holy Spirit Church on Tuesday, January 28 at 7 pm and also to the Catholic schools early in the day. All are invited to the evening event. Steve is an internationally recognized Catholic composer, presenter, and passionate music missionary. He has traveled around the world and shares his unique blend of humor, story and song—connecting head to heart, renewing faith and inspiring young and old alike.

The 3rd Annual Walk for Life Gala, a fundraiser for Nebraska Right to Life, will be held the night before the annual Walk for Life. Come join your fellow pro-lifers for either or both. Speaking at the Gala will be Jim Caviezel, the actor who portrayed Jesus in “Passion of the Christ” and most recently

starred in the movie “Sound of Freedom.” Tickets for the Gala, which will be at the Embassy Suites Convention Center, LaVista on Friday, January 31, 2025, are \$75, and can be purchased online at nebraskarighttolife.ticketspice.com/2025, or send a check made out to Nebraska Right to Life (noting it is for Gala), PO Box 80410, Lincoln, NE 68501-0410. Registration deadline is January 17 (no ticket sales after this date).

The Walk for Life is on February 1 with a Pro-Life Mass (sponsored by Nebraska Catholic Conference) at 9 AM Mass at Lincoln Saint Mary's Church (Downtown), and then the Walk begins on the North steps of the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. A new route this year will be taking us to the Cornhusker Hotel, where you can browse informational booths and hear speaker Elizabeth Gillette's keynote speech at 11:30 a.m. For questions, contact Nebraska Right to Life, 402-438-4802, nebraskartl@gmail.com.

A Card collection box for a Catholic Daughters Project is in the narthex. It is to collect Christmas card fronts. The box will be picked up at the end of January.

Marriage Encounter Weekends: Learn how to love your spouse by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Feb. 14-16, 2025, Lincoln, NE; Aug. 8-10, 2025, Littleton, CO. For questions, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839. For more info about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, visit www.wwme.org

The Mass of the Americas will be performed in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, October 3-9. Composer Frank La Rocca, conductor Richard Carrillo, and celebrant Archbishop Cordileone are part of the trip. Choir members and their families can register here: <https://www.wetravel.com/trips/diocese-of-lincoln-jubilante-tours-50372936>. The Diocesan Choir coordinator for this event is Stacy Pfeifer, you can reach out to her directly at stacyleedickes@hotmail.com. This promises to be a choral and pilgrimage experience of a lifetime!

The Diocese of Lincoln requires that 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.

How do mountains stay warm in winter? They put on their snowcaps. What do you get when you cross a snowman and a shark? Frost-bite What do snowmen get at a Mexican restaurant? Brrrr-itos What did one snowflake say to the other? "You're one of a kind!" Why did the snowman go to the doctor? He was getting chills.

Starting January 1, 2025, all clergy, religious, lay employees, and volunteers in the Diocese of Lincoln are required to complete and/or renew safe environment training in the month of January. This will require a new background check if there is no current one on file or if a previous one has expired. This training does not change the policy on background checks, which requires a background check be completed every five (5) years.

Anyone whose duties, ministries or organizations that include any contact with minors are required to complete safe environment training (e.g. CCD teachers and aides, acolytes, lectors, readers, youth choir director or organizations such as Altar Society or

Knights of Columbus where children may help). All clergy and religious, regardless of assignment or ministry, are required to complete safe environment training. in January 2025. Thereafter, all clergy, religious, employees, and volunteers (in contact with youth) will renew training every January. Go to www.cmgconnect.org Choose organization Lincoln and follow directions At the end of the background check segments mark it to be paid for by the diocese. Thank you to those who have already completed this.

Silent Ignatian Preached Retreat with Fr. Larry Gillick, S.J., March 13-16, 2025. This retreat invites you into a deepening of relationship with God as you enter the Lenten journey. These three days of prayer and reflection will center on God's meeting Abram and three of His Apostles as they are. We'll journey with them as they are invited to a deepening of their relationship with God. No pointing of Divine Fingers but more the invitation to experience God's fidelity to our human fears and questions. Time will be spent in being who we are in God's loving gaze rather than preparing or changing our behavior to do what we should. Cost: \$425 per person, including room and meals. Location: Creighton University Retreat Center located one hour east of Omaha. Register at <https://www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats/3-day-silent-ignatian-retreat>

A reminder that if one is ill or taking care of someone ill or if the weather presents danger (such as snow, ice and wind) one may in good conscience remain at home and not incur any serious sin for not attending Mass. It is suggested that in those cases one listens to Mass on tv, radio or the internet or offer the recitation of the rosary.

Baptism and Life: Whomever is moved by love begins to perceive what “life” really is. He begins to perceive the meaning of the word of hope that we encountered in the Baptismal Rite: from faith I await “eternal life” - the true life which, whole and unthreatened, in all its fullness, is simply life. Jesus, who said that he had come so that we might have life and have it in its fullness, in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10), has also explained to us what “life” means: “this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent” (Jn 17:3). Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life. Then we ‘live’” – *Pope Benedict XVI, Encyclical on Hope, November 30, 2007.*

The Southwest Nebraska Ultreya Center’s Monthly Ultreya will be held Sunday, January 12, in North Platte at SEAS at 1:30 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome either in person or via Zoom. If you know someone who is interested in Cursillo, or if you are thinking of asking someone to attend a Cursillo weekend, bring them along. Zoom information is the same as previous months.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7318208877> Meeting ID: 731 820 8877 NO PASSWORD REQUIRED. For your calendars: School of Leaders: January 11, 2025, 9am, in-person at St. Mary Parish, Aurora, and via ZOOM (Meeting ID: 731 820 8877, no password required). February Ultreya – Sunday, February 9, 2025, St. Patrick’s, McCook 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT. Spring 2025 Region VI Encounter - March 28-30, 2025. Omaha, NE Archdiocese is hosting. More information coming as we get closer to the Encounter.

Knights of Columbus meeting will be at 7 pm on Monday January 13. A pre-meeting is scheduled for Saturday January 18 at 8:30 in the parish hall.

A Deanery Day for the priests of our diocese will be Tuesday January 14. Fr. Rand will be attending after the morning Mass the Indianola Deanery meeting in McCook.

The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree will be hosting a meeting in the parish hall on Wednesday January 22 at 7 pm.

The Daughters of Charity will meet on Sunday January 26 in the parish hall at 11 am.

The current wildfires devastating the Los Angeles region of California (Palisades, Eaton, Hurst, Pasadena, San Fernando, Hollywood Hills, Lidia, etc.) have caused widespread evacuations and incomprehensible damage and destruction. Families and residents there have lost virtually everything. Our hearts cannot help but feel the unimaginable and unrelenting devastation of this disaster. Please pray for the victims of this tragic experience and the heroic fire and emergency personnel working there around the clock to contain the fires and rescue the victims. Catholic Charities USA will reach out through the Archdiocese of Los Angeles along with the Red Cross and other reputable relief agencies that concerned Catholics can support. More information will be provided as it becomes available. May God be with our California sisters and brothers at this catastrophic time. To donate to Catholic Charities USA's Los Angeles Wildfire Relief initiative, visit catholiccharitiesusa.org. To donate to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' fund for parishes and schools, visit pgp.givecentral.org/appeal-pages/acp677ee5d3c2280

Prayer Requests: +Marylin Malleck +Lester Bicker +Bette Moeller