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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst
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 Perlinger (Bulletin, website, sign,
 choir, miscellaneous)

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 and or instruction
 before any date is set.

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 11:15am-
 12:30pm.

Interested in becoming Catholic?
 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.*

January 14, 2024: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 1/15</i>	8:00am 6:45pm	Bruce, Sandy, & Eric Spindler Intentions of those present
<i>Tuesday 1/16</i>	8:00am	David Safford
<i>Wednesday 1/17</i>	5:30pm	Rick Hallquist
<i>Thursday 1/18</i>	8:00am	+Gilbert Rieker
<i>Friday 1/19</i>	8:00am	Vocations Priesthood & Religious Life
<i>Saturday 1/20</i>	5:00 pm	Missa Pro populo
<i>Sunday 1/21</i>	10:00 am	+Chris Svec

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

January 20-21, 2024: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Loren Baxa	Forrest Kain
Acolyte	Michael Krondak	Spencer Hampton
Server	James Krondak	Hans Kain
	Nicholas Krondak	Keaton Hampton
Music	Monica Mordja	Greg Vandenberg
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Duane & Heather Johnsen

Stewardship: January 1 (Mother of God) & January 7, 2024: Adult-
 \$2,970, Maintenance- \$120

Thank you to the Daughters of Charity, Parish Hall decorators,
 kitchen helpers and cleanup and all who participated in our Feast
 Day celebration last week. Names were added to faces and new
 or deeper friendships formed. Thank you also to all those who
 helped put away Christmas decorations. It was commented how
 quickly things can be done when more hands volunteer. May God
 bless all those involved.

The Southwest Nebraska Ultreya Center's

Monthly Ultreya will be held Sunday, January 14, in North Platte at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church beginning at 1:30 pm. 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. Upcoming events for your calendars: February Ultreya – February 11, 2024 St. Patrick's Church Hall, McCook 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT.

One Rose, One Life Fundraiser: On Jan. 27-28, please consider donating to this year's One Rose, One Life annual fundraising campaign conducted in our Parish by our Knights of Columbus, for the Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Foundation of Nebraska. Over 96% of funds raised by the Foundation are used to support various pro-life causes, events & organizations in our state. A portion of these funds have been used to aid in the purchase and installation of sixteen Ultrasound machines throughout the State of Nebraska. Please continue to pray for the end to abortion and a respect for all life.

FORMED: It's like a Catholic Netflix- but it's all educational! Sign up for FREE: Go to <https://formed.org/>, click on "Sign Up," type "North Platte," choose St Elizabeth Ann Seton, click "Next," and create your account. Content highlights this month: For Parents: "The Catholic Parent" - Shares real stories from real Catholic parents. This 6-episode series reflects on the necessity of prayer, sacraments, sacrifice, generosity, and faithfulness through the lens of the numerous challenges faced by the everyday parent. For Kids: "Zack & Yalla" – Follow a shepherd boy and his sheep as they encounter the story of Jesus' birth and learn many lessons along the way. For Adults: "Into Life: Love Changes Everything"- Presented by the Sisters of Life, this offers new ideas for building a culture of life and solidarity, offers the opportunity for prayer and reflection, and develops and refines skills for accompanying women through an unexpected

pregnancy. "Into the Breach"- Seeks to answer what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world, tells men they are made for greatness, and challenges them to achieve it by founding their lives on God and pursuing heroic virtue.

An Irishman was visiting New York City during the holidays and was driving there for the first time. "Lord", he prays, "I cannot stand this, please open a parking space for me and I swear I'll give up the drink and go to Mass listening to every word each Sunday. The clouds part and the sun shines on an empty space in the car park. Without hesitation the Irishman says, "Actually never mind, I've found one."

Free Throw Contest- Sunday afternoon, February 4 at St. Patrick's High School gymnasium. Doors will be open at 1:00pm for warm up practice. St. Patrick's Council 1211 hosting, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Fr. McGivney Council assisting. More detail in future bulletins.

Inviting all women and older girls of our Parish and all others interested in our area to a WOMEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION to be held on Saturday January 27, 2024 at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 3301 Echo Drive, North Platte, NE Speaker: Meagan Gitchell will share her vocational (life) story as a Consecrated Virgin and relationship with Jesus and also perspective on the Eucharist in her spirituality. Day will begin with Mass at 9:00 am followed by coffee and rolls, two sessions, prayer time, opportunity for the sacrament of reconciliation. lunch and Adoration. Day will end at 2:00 pm. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will provide Coffee/rolls and lunch (token free will offering to help defray the expenses). Please join us for the whole day or whatever parts you are able to attend and share the opportunity with others.

Life Novena- Please go to www.9daysforLife.com to sign up for an email or text to participate in this novena for life.

The Knights of Columbus Meeting will be Monday, January 15 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

The Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be Sunday, January 14.

Dear Advocates: We have an important update on the Opportunity Scholarship Act. Yesterday, school choice champion, Senator Lou Ann Linehan, submitted a challenge against the referendum to repeal historic school choice legislation. Senator Linehan has asked Nebraska Secretary of State, Bob Evnen, to reject the repeal of LB753 as unconstitutional. If this argument is successful, school choice would be protected from being placed on the ballot and remain in legal effect. This means thousands of families in need would be guaranteed educational freedom. As you know, anti-education freedom efforts to repeal the Opportunity Scholarship Act have been underway since its passage in May and threaten the future of school choice. But that may change. In her letter to Secretary Evnen, Senator Linehan presented a constitutional challenge to the referendum, arguing that the power to set and regulate taxation falls solely under the purview of Nebraska Legislature, as laid out in the Nebraska State Constitution. Remember, LB753 funds scholarships through tax-credit contributions by private individuals and businesses. While opponents of school choice have been invited to provide input on the matter, we anxiously await Secretary Evnen's response. We will update you as we learn more. As always, please join us in fervent prayer for the protection of school choice in Nebraska, for children and families, and for the first round of Opportunity Scholarships that will be awarded in the months to come. In Christ, Tom Venzor Executive Director Nebraska Catholic Conference.

Join us for dinner and discover unique and meaningful ways you can make an impact through charitable giving now and in the future! WHEN: January 25, 2024 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM WHERE: Venue304, 304 E. 5th St., North Platte, NE WHO: Individuals, couples, and families who want to make a difference in the lives of others and answer the call to live more charitably by supporting the spiritual, educational, and charitable works of our Catholic Community including our Parish and the

Catholic schools. COST: Free. For questions or more information, contact: Wendy Dodson, (308) 534-5939 or Les Mach, (402) 443-6180 Sign up in advance to get a proper head count.

Marriage Encounter: A weekend for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. "Finding a oneness of heart, we all desire." The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is Feb. 9-11 in Lincoln. Contact Brenda & Gary Granger to register or to ask questions: 303-604-6202.

North Platte Theology on Tap will be hosting Father Matthew Nash on Sunday, January 21 at Occasions. Young adults ages 21-40 are invited to join us for a fun evening of fellowship! The social hour will begin at 6:00, with the speaker to follow. A delicious meal of Dave's Place pizza will be provided!

Save the Dates: Nebraska Right to Life Events Nebraska Right to Life will hold its annual Gala on Friday, January 26, 2024 at the Cornhusker Marriot Hotel in Lincoln with keynote speaker Melissa Ohden, a survivor of an abortion attempt and founder of the Abortion Survivors Network. Then, join in the Nebraska Walk for Life on Saturday, January 27, 2027. More information on these events can be found at nebraskarighttolife.org, by emailing nebraskartl@gmail.com, or by calling 402-438-4802.

Hope for the Poor: Our Bishop has encouraged anyone willing to make a donation to support the ministry Hope for the Poor in Mexico City. A large part of their mission is to take the poor off the streets, many of whom are young women and children who are caught up in drug addiction and the billion-dollar human trafficking trade and insert them into the security of small Parish communities in the Archdiocese of Mexico City. If you would like to make such a donation, please enclose it in an envelope with your name on it by January 21. Checks are to be written out to the Parish, which in turn will send one collective donation to Hope for the Poor.

Attend a weekend retreat with the Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies from February 23-25 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly: Topic: "Praying with Scripture" Have you heard of Lectio Divina or Ignatian Prayer with Scripture, but never knew quite what it was or how to do it? Have you desired to open God's Word to hear His voice but don't know how to do it, or what His voice sounds like? The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies is offering a weekend retreat for men and women on "Praying with Scripture" that is just for you. Vern Steiner, Chad Steiner and Josh Burks will each offer talks developing how the Sacred Scriptures are not a dead word but apply to the reality of our lives today. For further information or to register please contact www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

Annual Notice: 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.

The 2024 LDCCW Winter Symposium will be February 16 & 17, 2024: Friday, February 16 will include the Full Board Meeting which is for all Deanery Presidents. Saturday, February 17 will include inspirational talks throughout the day. Go to <https://goodcounselretreat.org/product/winter-symposium-women-2024/> to register. In addition, the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold their 64th Biennial Convention on April 26 & 27 at the St John XXII Center in Lincoln.

PCCW Presidents and Deanery Presidents are to attend at their vote is essential in this meeting

Lenten Healing Mass- All are welcome to receive physical, spiritual, and mental healing. Sunday, February 25, 2024, St. Patrick Church 409 East F Street, McCook, NE. 4:00pm Mass: Celebrant Rev. Christopher Barak Lincoln, NE. Come early for the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:30pm. Confession available 3:00 – 4:00 – EVERYONE is WELCOME –Please spread the word!

The North Platte Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Senior Meals Monday-Friday 10:30 am-12:30 pm. You will be reimbursed if are using a personal vehicle. Do you have a day you could give? Address all questions to Stephanie or Becky at the North Platte Senior Center (308) 532-6544. Thank you so much.

St. Pat's High School will be hosting a blood drive on Friday, January 26, 2024 from 10:00am-4:00pm. Contact 532-0622 to schedule your appointment. Please remember to bring your ID or Donor Card, and drink plenty of fluids.

If you did not take or get an envelope last week for the support of Retired Priests of our Diocese, you can use an envelope of your own and mark it with your name. This collection can be taken up at various times in Parishes. Our Parish will focus on this month. Thank you for your generosity and please don't forget to pray for the intentions of our priests, who sacrificed greatly to serve abundantly our Diocese.

Please do not leave vehicles overnight or for days in the parking lot without informing Fr. Rand. If it is necessary, directions will be given where to park so that snow removal can occur without hassles.

For your- Prayers + Kay Wunderlich Gilliland, +Joy Chilcott +Rick Ogle Virgil +Fr. Gerald Myers ill- Diane Zeleny, ill-Sylvia Prather, ill-Gene Johnston