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# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst  
 Parish Coordinator: Ashley  
 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 21, 2024: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 1/22</i>	8:00am	Jim Safford
<i>Tuesday 1/23</i>	8:00am	+Kathie Cabela
<i>Wednesday 1/24</i>	5:30pm	Jerry Cabela
<i>Thursday 1/25</i>	8:00am	Jerry, Kay & Lisa Cooper
<i>Friday 1/26</i>	8:00am	MaKenna Ketter
<i>Saturday 1/27</i>	9:00am 5:00pm	Bode/Ruskamp Families Missa Pro Populo
<i>Sunday 1/28</i>	10:00 am	Vocations to Priesthood/Consecrated Life

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

##### January 27-28, 2024: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	John Bode	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Volunteer Needed	Duane Johnsen
Server	Volunteer Needed	Xavier Pieper
	Volunteer Needed	Liam Pieper/James Green
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Matt & Ashley Perlinger
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Steve & Janet Fear	Spencer Hampton

**Stewardship: January 14, 2024 (Adult)- \$1,922, Maintenance- \$200,  
 Rent- \$60, Retired Priests- \$265**

**Thank you to the Daughters of Charity for** candle wax, albs, and hosts.  
 There was a total of \$987.17 paid in support of the Parish altar needs.

**Thank you to John & Donna Bode** for their time in clearing snow from pathways before Masses these past couple of weeks.

**Lenten Growth:** Letting the Holy Spirit speak to our hearts and minds during this Lenten liturgical season is not only a preparation for the celebration of Easter and its season, but can sift out and give clarity to our relationship with Christ and our walk with Christ. Keeping a journal of our thoughts can often reveal the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives, and give direction and guidance that we seek. Our days can be filled with distractions, routines, difficulties, and confusion. If you would like to join this personal engagement via a communal setting, then perhaps this Lenten series is for you. Each week you will be given journal prompts to write a response in your journal. You can answer as many as you wish, but should give sufficient time for reflection for your responses. Each week, we will gather, and if not too personal, share what The Spirit moved us to respond. Listening to another's encounters is also a means for the Spirit to help us on our journey. New journal prompts will be given weekly. Rereading after Easter what has been written may provide valuable insights into oneself and areas of growth, and can help us grow in our relationship with God. We will meet on Tuesday mornings over a cup of coffee from 9am-10am on February 20, 27 and March 5, 12, 19, and 26 in the Parish Hall. Bring your own journal or notebook. Please let Fr. Rand know if you want to participate in order to receive the first meetings questions in advance.

**Lenten Spiritual Reading Opportunity:** While books last, a free copy for Lenten reading of Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary by Dr. Brant Pitre is available in the narthex next weekend.

**Through the generosity** of one of our Parishioners, the Magnificat Lenten Companion will be available next weekend on a first come first serve basis. Thank you to the donor and may God bless and reward you.

**Anointing of the Sick** will be given immediately after the morning Mass on Tuesday, February 6. Any Catholic who is able to receive communion and is suffering from a life threatening illness or

disease, will have an upcoming surgery, or is over the age of 65, is welcome to receive the Sacrament. If you have any questions whether you can or should receive the sacrament, speak to Fr. Rand.

**Since Candlemas/Presentation** falls on a First Friday in February with Adoration immediately following, anyone who wishes to bring in candles to be blessed and used in their homes are to bring them and put them in front of the altar before Mass on Thursday, February 1. After Mass, they may be taken home. If you cannot be present, please arrange with someone to act in your stead.

**The Blessing of St. Blaise** will be given after Masses (8 am and 5:00 pm), only on his feast Day, Saturday, February 3.

**James receives** a phone call from his doctor. The doctor says, "I have some good news and some bad news for you Jimmy." Jimmy says, "OK, give me the good news first." The doctor says, "The good news is, you have 24 hours to live." Jimmy replies, "Oh no! If that's the good news, then what possibly can be the bad news?" The doctor says, "The bad news is, I forgot to call you yesterday."

**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.

**Free Throw Contest-** Sunday afternoon, February 4 at St. Patrick's High School gymnasium. Doors will be open at noon for warm up practice and the competition will be at 1 pm. Boys and Girls between ages 9-14 may participate. St. Patrick's Council 1211 hosting, with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton KOC Fr. McGivney Council assisting.

**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.

**Wild Game Feed 2024** hosted by Curtis and missions and McCook Parishes will be Saturday, February 10 at the Curtis Memorial Community Center. Doors open at 5 pm with dinner at 6 pm. Tables for 8 are \$300, to be purchased by Jan 26, and individual tickets at the door \$25 each for 12 & up. Prize winning games, Silent and & Live Auction, Wild Animal Races. Call Doris Burke at 308-367-6433 or Fr. Kimminau at 402-480-4137 to reserve a table. This is an opportunity to support many of the Parishes of our Deanery.

**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 Let Fr.

Rand know in advance to get a proper head count for the free meal.

**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](http://nebraskarighttolife.org), by emailing [nebraskartl@gmail.com](mailto:nebraskartl@gmail.com), or by calling 402-438-4802.

**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](http://www.goodcounselretreat.org), email [office@goodcounselretreat.org](mailto:office@goodcounselretreat.org) or call 402-786-2705.

**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.

**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.

**Spirituality and Service** are the heart and soul foundation of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. CDA helps women develop their spirituality and provides avenues of service to live out that spirituality. Helping others through charitable acts in the spirit of Jesus Christ is the heart of our organization. Come join us and grow your spirituality. Catholic Daughters of America

will be meeting at the St. Patrick's Spiritual Center, Saturday, February 3 at 1:30 PM.

**Join Fr. Jonathan Sorensen** of St Patrick parish on a pilgrimage to beautiful Rome, Italy. This trip departs from Denver on May 30th for seven full days in Italy with day excursions to both Orvieto and Assisi. The trip includes airline, tours and two meals a day for \$3800 based on double occupancy. The Eternal City calls to you. For more info. email [amstravel@myyahoo.com](mailto:amstravel@myyahoo.com) or call Ann Sucha at 308-293-1747, Paul Sucha at 308-627-3988 or speak to Father Jonathan Sorensen.

**HEARTS RESTORED: Healing After Abortion** Hearts Restored is Nebraska's post-abortion healing ministry program open to any individual seeking healing, wholeness, and peace after the impact of abortion. Check out their website. <https://heartsrestorednebraska.org/>

**Sunday of the Word of God Video Series:** In 2019, Pope Francis established the *Sunday of the Word of God* to be celebrated each year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Holy Father stated, "Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world." On January 21, 2024, the USCCB will offer a "Sunday Seminar Series." These four videos, available in English and Spanish, will feature a presentation followed by discussion/reflection questions. The topics and presenters are: The Eucharist in Scripture, Synodality and the Bible, The Psalms and Prayer and The Gospel and Letters of John. The videos will be made available at: <https://catholic.bible/sunday-of-the-word-of-god/>

**Please let Fr. Rand know** if you desire your year-end statement of tithing.

**The season of Lent** begins with Ash Wednesday February 14. Masses are scheduled for 7 am, 8 am and 5:30 pm.

**For Your Prayers** + Kay Wunderlich Gilliland, ill-Sylvia Prather, ill-Gene Johnston