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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 rectoryoffice@seas-np.org.

November 12, 2023: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions			
Monday 11/13	8:00 am	Delores Martinmaas	
Tuesday 11/14	8:00 am	+Jim McMurty	
Wednesday 11/15	5:30 pm	Mike Weber	
Thursday 11/16	8:00 am	Poor Souls	
Friday 11/17	8:00 am	+George Herrington	
Saturday 11/18	9:00 am	Benefactors of SEAS	
	5:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo	
Sunday 11/19	10:00 am	+Jim Zeleny	

<u>LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS</u> November 18-19, 2023 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Loren Baxa	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Michael Krondak	Spencer Hampton
Server	Luke Miller	Keaton Hampton
	Nathan Miller	Eidren Hampton
Music	Greg Vandenberg	Matt & Ashley Perlinger
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Cindy Swanson	Spencer Hampton

Stewardship: November 5, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$2,556,

All Saints Day- \$1,275

Non-Perishable Food Drive for the Women's Resource Center is underway until November 22. Please bring any donations to the designated spot in the narthex. Canned goods, boxed goods, detergents, soaps would be welcomed. This is an opportunity to help neighbors in need. A simple rule of thumb might be to give what would make an entire meal or the fixings to go with a meal.

A man is speeding down a highway when he gets pulled over by a state patrolman. The officer comes up to the car and says, "Do you have any idea how fast you were going?" The man replies, "I'm sorry officer, I was rushing to a lecture about the negative impacts of alcohol abuse and the importance of staying within the law." Intrigued, the officer asks, "Really? Who's giving that lecture at this time of night?" The man smirks and says, "My wife."

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> will meet on Monday, November 13 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Inviting all men and older teen boys to a MEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION to be held on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 3301 Echo Drive, North Platte, NE .Speaker: Joseph Brewer will share his life story and relationship with Jesus and also perspective on the Eucharist in his spirituality. Joseph is married with children and attends St. Joseph Church in Beatrice, Nebraska. He is active in his Parish, a Knight of Columbus, owns and operates a business, and is a man of prayer. The day will begin with Mass at 9:00am followed by coffee and rolls, two sessions, prayer time, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, lunch and Adoration. The day will end at 2:00pm. 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.

Healing Mass: All are welcome to receive physical, spiritual, and mental healing. Sunday, December 3rd, 2023, 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!

Anointing of the Sick will be available immediately after daily Mass on Tuesday, November 14. To receive it, one must be aged 65 or have an illness/disease that risks danger of death, or who will be having a surgery in the very near future. If you are unsure, please ask Fr. Rand.

Good Counsel Retreat House Retreats: Planning your Fall or Winter schedule? Check out Good Counsel Retreat House's retreat Schedule. Read through the list of retreats on their website at www.goodcounselretreat.com. For questions call 402-786-2705, or email goodcounsel@cdolinc.net. Upcoming in-person and online retreats including: Women "Growing in the Spirit Dec 1 - 3 Fr. Elias Mary; Men & Women "Five Marian Stones & Consecration to the Immaculate Dec. 7-10 Fr. Shawn Aaron LC; Men "Men's Spiritual Exercises with Regnum Christi" Dec. 15 - 17 . Fr. Jay Buhman.

"Our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

Rest in God's heart by spending some time on retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly. "Growing in the Spirit" Retreat with Magnificat and Fr. Voithofer (women's retreat) on Nov. 17-19, "Five Marian Stones and Consecration to the Immaculate" with Fr. Elias Mary, F.I. on Dec. 3-5, and "Men's Spiritual Exercises with Regnum Christi" on Dec. 7-10 with Fr. Shawn Aaron, LC. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

<u>Please keep the Poor Souls</u> in your daily prayers and speed someone into heaven, who in turn becomes a Saint to pray for you!

North Platte St. Pat's SkillsUSA Presents Annual Veterans Day Breakfast. Please join our SkillsUSA chapter in honoring our local veterans with a warm breakfast in the St. Pat's Cafeteria! After the breakfast, we ask those in attendance to join us in the St. Pat's Gym for our annual Veterans Day Program. Monday, November 13, 2023. Breakfast: 8:45am, Program: 9:45am. Please RSVP to 308-532-1874. Thank you for your service!

St. Pat's School News: Upcoming Events:

Monday, November 13: McDaid Book Fair, Start of Winter Sports, 4:00PM—JH WR—NPSP Invite, Senior Retreat Tuesday, November 14: McDaid Book Fair, Senior Retreat Wednesday, November 15: McDaid Book Fair Thursday, November 16: McDaid Book Fair, Friday, November 17: McDaid Book Fair, 11:00AM—JH WR @ Mullen Saturday, November 18: One-Act @ Minden, Youth Volleyball Tournament. New School Board Members: Todd Brosius of the Holy Spirit Parish has been re-elected and Jordan Maassen of the St. Patrick's Parish has been elected to serve on the North Platte Catholic Schools Board of Education. It's the holiday season—Purchase SCRIP. Remember to utilize the Endowment's SCRIP program for your holiday shopping! SCRIP is your one-stop shop for gift cards! Think SCRIP for holiday shopping and gifting.

Thank you to all who participated in the straw vote last weekend. The top two results for men and women willing to run for parish council are: Don Kuchta and Spencer Hampton; Mary Herout and Mikayla Miller. Thank you to each. Voting takes place this weekend at Masses. Results will be published in next weekend's bulletin.

While Thanksgiving is a civil holiday and not a holy day of obligation it is nonetheless encouraged for the faithful to come and give thanks for the blessings in their lives. Thanksgiving Masses will be Wednesday vigil at 5:30 pm followed by Adoration until 9 pm and Thursday at 7 am.

Please keep in prayer the following who have completed their training and will be installed by the Bishop in the diocese on Sunday Nov 19. Acolytes Derek Miller and Phil Heimann and Lector Greg Vandenberg. Also pray for Mary Herout and Cindy Swanson who have completed training as parish Readers and be available starting Nov. 19.

<u>Thank you</u> to Derek Miller for assembling our new Advent wreathe stand.

<u>Lectio Divina of the</u> Gospels for the Liturgical Year 2023-2024 Several have asked if any source was available to help them pray at home or in small groups with others. The following has become

available from Magnificat that meets those very needs to spend time reading, meditating on, praying about, and contemplating the Gospel for each Sunday and major feast day. Beginning and ending with prayer, each entry leads you through the four steps: Lectio: Read the Gospel. Meditatio: Meditate on suggested questions. Oratio: Pray, lifting the fruits of your meditation to God. Contemplatio: Contemplate and record your thoughts on the Word of God in the space provided. A simple and powerful way to incorporate all Scripture into our lives and to experience the Kingdom of God today. There is a pre-order price if taken advantage of in the coming weeks. For more information or to place a personal order call 1-970-416-6670 or email bookstore@magnificat.com or visit www.magnificat.com

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 nebraskarightolife.org, by emailing nebraskartl@gmail.com, or by calling 402-438-4802.

Reasons to be Thankful you Burnt the Thanksgiving Bird! Salmonella won't be a concern. Everyone will think your turkey is Cajun blackened. Uninvited guests will think twice next year. Your cheese broccoli lima bean casserole will gain newfound appreciation. Pets won't bother to pester you for scraps. No one will overeat. The smoke alarm was due for a test. Carving the bird will provide a good cardiovascular workout. You'll get to the desserts even quicker. After dinner, the guys can take the bird to the yard and play football. The less turkey Uncle You-Know-Who eats, the less likely he will be to walk around with his pants unbuttoned. You won't have to face three weeks of turkey sandwiches.

Keep the Poor Souls, especially of family and friends benefitting by remembering them daily.

What are the fruits of Holy Communion? The following are the points of the Catechism of the Catholic Church 1391-1397: 1391 Holy Communion AUGMENTS OUR UNION WITH CHRIST. The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist in Holy Communion is an INTIMATE UNION WITH CHRIST JESUS; 1392 WHAT MATERIAL FOOD PRODUCES IN OUR BODILY LIFE, HOLY COMMUNION WONDERFULLY ACHIEVES IN OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ, a flesh "given life and giving life through the Holy Spirit," PRESERVES, INCREASES, AND RENEWS THE LIFE OF GRACE RECEIVED AT BAPTISM. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death, when it will be given to us as viaticum; 1393 Holy Communion SEPARATES US FROM SIN. The body of Christ we receive in Holy Communion is "given up for us," and the blood we drink "shed for the many for the forgiveness of sins." For this reason THE **EUCHARIST CANNOT UNITE US TO CHRIST** WITHOUT AT THE SAME TIME CLEANSING US FROM PAST SINS AND PRESERVING US FROM FUTURE SINS; 1394 As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so THE EUCHARIST STRENGTHENS OUR CHARITY, WHICH TENDS TO BE WEAKENED IN DAILY LIFE; and this living charity WIPES AWAY VENIAL SINS; By giving himself to us CHRIST REVIVES OUR LOVE AND ENABLES US TO BREAK OUR DISORDERED ATTACHMENTS TO CREATURES AND ROOT OURSELVES IN HIM; 1395 By the same charity that it enkindles in us, THE EUCHARIST PRESERVES US FROM FUTURE MORTAL SINS- THE MORE WE SHARE THE LIFE OF CHRIST AND PROGRESS IN HIS FRIENDSHIP, THE MORE DIFFICULT IT IS TO BREAK AWAY FROM HIM BY MORTAL SIN. The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins – that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation. The Eucharist is properly the sacrament of those who are in full communion with the Church; 1396 THE UNITY OF THE MYSTICAL BODY: THE EUCHARIST MAKES THE CHURCH. THOSE WHO RECEIVE THE EUCHARIST ARE UNITED MORE CLOSELY TO CHRIST. THROUGH IT CHRIST UNITES THEM TO ALL THE FAITHFUL IN ONE BODY – THE CHURCH. COMMUNION RENEWS, STRENGTHENS, AND DEEPENS THIS INCORPORATION INTO THE CHURCH, ALREADY ACHIEVED BY BAPTISM. 1397 The Eucharist COMMITS US TO THE POOR. TO RECEIVE IN TRUTH THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST GIVEN UP FOR US, WE MUST RECOGNIZE CHRIST IN THE POOREST.

Why attend daily Mass? We Become More Hungry- The more we understand the beauty of this gift from God, the hungrier we become to regularly receive it. We Grow in Holiness- As the Word of God enters our minds and our hearts, we begin to be transformed, seeing, in part, how to change vices into virtues. We Become Detached From Sin- At the same time we grow in holiness, we grow a distaste for sin. We Receive More Graces- The graces we receive may not be known immediately, but we know that God is ready to pour them out onto us. St. Faustina wrote in her Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul that Jesus said to her: "I desire to unite Myself to human souls. Know, My daughter, that when I come to a human heart in Holy Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the soul". We Want to Spend More and More Time with Jesus- We will find that attending daily Mass just isn't enough; we will feel called to spend more and more time with Jesus, leading us to participate in Holy Hours and in Adoration. St. Teresa of Calcutta alludes to this with the statement that the "time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Perhaps St. Leo the Great answers for those who are committed to coming to a daily Mass or Masses the best: "Our sharing in the Body and Blood of Christ has no other purpose than to transform us into that which we receive." or in a shorter phrase--We become what we eat!"

<u>Prayer Intentions</u>: Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. += repose of soul +Wilma Reeves +Izzy Snider ill-Sylvia Prather, ill-Gene Johnston