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ST. ELIZABETH

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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.*

November 19, 2023: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Monday 11/20	8:00 am	+Pat Weber
Tuesday 11/21	8:00 am	+Phyllis Koski
Wednesday 11/22 <i>(Thanksgiving Eve)</i>	5:30 pm	Holy Spirit Altar Society
Thursday 11/23	7:00 am	Bekki Rogers & family
Friday 11/24	7:00 am	Milo Svec Family (liv/dec)
Saturday 11/25	5:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday 11/26	10:00 am	Lincoln Diocese Priests

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS November 25-26, 2023 (Christ the King)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Michael Krondak	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Duane Johnsen
Server	Alex Krondak	Liam Pieper
	William Krondak	Xavier Pieper
Music	Volunteer Needed	Greg Vandenberg
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Steve & Janet Fear	Volunteer Needed

Stewardship: November 12, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$2,020

Life is Hard. Help is just a phone call away. Need to talk to someone that you can trust? Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska's Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center, 402-489-1834.

A Moment Within a Movement: The National Eucharistic Revival is the response to a Divine invitation to be healed, renewed, and unified by Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. The bishops of the United States have called for this three-year grassroots movement to restore understanding and devotion to the source and summit of our faith. The milestone moment of this Revival will be the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024—the first of its kind in 83 years! Leading up to this historic event, an unprecedented coast-to-coast Eucharistic Pilgrimage will powerfully and publicly display Our Lord's desire to draw near to his people. There will be 4 routes across our nation with 9 stops on each route from May 17-July 16 of 2024. It is with great honor and privilege that North Platte was selected for the weekend of June 14-16, 2024 as one of the nine stops on the Sierra Route from San Francisco to Indianapolis where the Revival will take place for our nation. The three Parishes of North Platte are working together to coordinate with the national level on expectations and needs. Please pray for God to work through these revival efforts to increase devotion to the Holy Eucharist

PrayMoreNovenas.com: Our next online retreat for Advent! This Advent season gives us an opportunity to reignite hope in our hearts and to strengthen our relationship with the Lord through prayer. The Pray More Advent Retreat starts on December 4th. Go to our website to learn more or to sign up. We will be focusing on transforming our prayer lives this Advent so that we can prepare for Jesus Christ's coming at Christmas, and when He comes again.

Congratulations to Don Kuchta and Mikala Miller, who were elected to the Parish Council last weekend. We also thank Spencer Hampton and Mary Herout, who also ran on the ballot.

Christmas Cards will be written for the residents of the North Platte care facilities and SEAS shut-ins

after Masses on December 9th - 10th. If you have extra Christmas Cards, please bring them to the Parish Hall on the weekends or leave them at the Parish office prior to December 9th.

Spirit of Giving: The Daughters of Charity are currently collecting items to give to our local nursing homes. If your generosity moves you, please drop off any of the following items to the church, by Dec 1. There will be a designated drop box by the St. Therese statue in the narthex. Suggested Items: Slipper socks (with traction on bottom to prevent slipping), Small (travel size) lotions, Chapstick or lip balms.

Cursillo December Ultreya is December 10, 2023, at Saint Patrick's, Imperial 1:30 pm CST in person and via Zoom ID: 731 820 8877 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7318208877> No Password Required. School of leaders - January 13, 2024, 9:30am, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Lincoln. 9:30am-1:00pm (Mass at 9:00am). This SOL is with the Vietnamese Cursillo community. IHM church/Hall is located two blocks south of Adams St. on 63rd Street near Lincoln Northeast High School. Region VI Spring Encounter – April 26-28, 2024, Dodge City, KS. Carpooling available. Contact Greg Vandenberg for more information on Cursillo.

The practice of offering the holy Mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased originates in the early church. The catechism teaches, "From the beginning the church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God" (No. 1032). Praying for the repose of the souls of the deceased is rooted in the Old Testament. Judas Maccabees offered prayers and sacrifices for the Jewish soldiers who had died wearing pagan amulets, which were forbidden by the Torah. II Maccabees reads, "Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out" (12:43). Continuing, "(Judas Maccabees) took up a collection among all his soldiers, ... which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice. In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection

of the dead in view; for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them in death. But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Thus, he made atonement for the dead that they might be freed from sin” (12:46). In light of the saving work of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we believe that when a person dies, he faces his particular judgment and must render an account of his life. If that person has died fundamentally believing in God and in a state of grace, but with venial sins and the hurt caused by sin, then God in His divine love and mercy will first purify the soul. After this purification has been completed, the soul will have the holiness and purity needed to share in the beatific vision in heaven. The faithful here on earth can help those souls undergoing purification. The Vatican Council II affirmed: “This sacred council accepts loyally the venerable faith of our ancestors in the living communion which exists between us and our brothers who are in the glory of heaven or who are yet being purified after their death.” (“Dogmatic Constitution on the Church,” No. 51). Therefore, just as we pray for each other and share each other’s burdens now, the faithful on earth can offer prayers and sacrifices to help the departed souls undergoing purification, and no better prayer could be offered than that of the holy sacrifice of the Mass. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical “Mirae Caritatis” (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass: “The grace of mutual love among the living, strengthened and increased by the sacrament of the Eucharist, flows, especially by virtue of the sacrifice (of the Mass), to all who belong to the communion of saints. For the communion of saints is simply ... the mutual sharing of help, atonement, prayers and benefits among the faithful, those already in the heavenly fatherland, those consigned to the purifying fire, and those still making their pilgrim way here on earth. These all form one city, whose head is Christ, and whose vital principle is love. Faith teaches that although the august sacrifice can be offered to God alone, it can nevertheless be celebrated in honor of the saints now reigning in heaven with God, who has crowned them, to obtain

their intercession for us, and also, according to apostolic tradition, to wash away the stains of those brethren who died in the Lord but without yet being wholly purified.” Therefore, the offering of Mass and other prayers or sacrifices for the intentions of the faithful departed are truly good and holy acts. When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, to have a Mass offered for the repose of his soul and to offer our prayers are more beneficial and comforting than any other sympathy card or bouquet of flowers. Most importantly, we always should remember our own dearly departed loved ones in the holy Mass and through our own prayers and sacrifices to help in their gaining eternal rest. (*excerpted from Catholic Straight Answers 2023*)

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.

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!

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.

Who can you invite to join our spiritual family at St Elizabeth Ann Seton?

Lectio Divina of the 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. This is 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 in the coming weeks. For more information or to place a personal order, call 1-970-416-6670, email bookstore@magnificat.com, or visit www.magnificat.com

Save the Dates: 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.

St. Pat's School News: UPCOMING EVENTS:
Monday, November 20: 11:00AM—SPVA One Act
Tuesday, November 21: 2:30PM—JH WR @ Perkins Co. Wednesday, November 22: NOON Dismissal—Thanksgiving Break Thursday, November 23: HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Friday, November 24: NO SCHOOL. * **SCRIP for holiday**

shopping and gifting! Purchase SCRIP gift cards for a variety of local and national retailers. Everything from grocery, to dining, to gas, clothing, travel, entertainment, and more! SCRIP has your shopping list covered! SCRIP gift cards also make excellent gifts, with many retailers available in smaller (stocking-stuffer) denominations. Purchase at the Endowment (601 S .Tabor Ave) office Monday-Friday 8:00-4:00, call 308-534-5939, or visit www.raiseright.com to learn more. * Participate in Giving Tuesday! Giving Tuesday is an international day of charitable giving, held every year on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving. The North Platte Catholic Schools would be grateful for your support on this day! Give online at: apps.npcschoools.org/donate-now *

With the unrest in the Holy Land Fr. Rand now invites all to consider a new spiritual pilgrimage to Italy from April 9 for 11 days with roundtrip flights from Omaha. Visit the sites of Eucharistic miracles, Rome and the Vatican, Assisi (St Francis and St Clare), Orvieto, Cascia (St Rita), Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotunda (Padre Pio), Grotto of St Michael the Archangel, Holy Veil of Manoppello and so much more. Check out the website tektonministries.org and look for pilgrimages and scroll down to April 9 Italy out of Omaha and read the online brochure, pricing and/or to register online. This is an opportunity that will enrich anyone's spiritual life and is open to anyone Catholic or not.

Masses for the Immaculate Conception Holy day of Obligation will be Thursday December 7 vigil at 5:30 pm and Friday December 8 at 8 am.

Christmas Masses will be Sunday December 24 vigil at 5 pm and Monday Christmas Day December 25 at 10 am.

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