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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-
 office@seas-np.org.*

November 24, 2024: Christ the King

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Monday 11/25	8:00 am	+Don & Peggy Fleecs
Tuesday 11/26	7:00 am	McKenna Ketter
Thanksgiving Eve Vigil Wednesday 11/27	5:30 pm	Alan Rieker
Thursday 11/28	No Mass	
Friday 11/29	No Mass	
Saturday 11/30	5:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo
First Sunday of Advent 12/1	10:00 am	+Don Exner

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

November 30-December 1, 2024 (1st Sunday of Advent)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	Jim Nisley	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Michael Krondak	Duane Johnsen
Server	James Krondak	Kolbe Tejral
	Nicholas Krondak	Will Vapenik
Music	Volunteer Needed	Choir
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Galen Warburton	Dave Beran

Stewardship: November 17, 2024: Adult \$1,628

A duck walks into a bar and says "Do you have duck food here?" The bartender says "No" and the duck leaves. The duck comes back the next day and says "Do you have duck food?" The bartender says "No." The duck comes back the next day and says "Do you have any duck food?" The bartender says "I already told you 'No' twice! If you come back and ask me again, I'm going to nail your feet to the floor!" The duck comes back the next day and says "Do you have any nails?" The bartender says "No." "Do you have any duck food?"

Thank you to a Parishioner, who wishes to remain anonymous for the very generous gift of the Magnificat Advent booklets available to all while supplies last. May God bless this generosity.

Thank you to the Parishioners who have approached to help fellow Parishioners who have stepped forward with their struggles. Both those who give and those who receive benefit from the exchange of generosity and charity.

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI's encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. **Jesus Christ "is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind" (*Quas primas*, 7). Christ's kingship is rooted in the Church's teaching on the Incarnation.** Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all

creation as the Incarnate Son of God. "From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject, and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures" (*Quas primas*, 13). The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ's kingship with our whole lives: *He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, 'as instruments of justice unto God.'* -*Quas primas*, 33

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. **This solemnity encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public.** "Thus by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King" (*Quas primas*, 26). For Christians, when our faith is repeatedly marginalized in public life, we can fall into the habit of compartmentalizing our lives. We love Jesus in our private lives, but we shrink from acknowledging the kingship of Christ in social life. When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world and remind ourselves that Jesus is the Lord of the Church and of the entire universe.

Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage To Italy With Fr. Doty of St Mary's in Denton, Nebraska October 18-28, 2025. Registration and information is open at www.proximotravel.com Trip #1140 Join Fr. Doty on this pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotonda and more.

TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreats:

Consider signing up for this Diocesan retreat! For High School Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors, College Freshmen & Sophomores. The three-day retreat is designed to draw young people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Information is mailed out 2 weeks prior to each retreat. Retreat options in December, February, April & June. To sign up, visit www.lincolnDiocese.org/retreats/tec

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

Advent Vespers and Carols: Solemn Evening Prayer at Saint Gregory the Great Seminary with Bishop Conley. Friday, December 6 at 7pm. The Seminary is located on Hwy 15, 3 miles north of I-80 or 2 miles south of Seward.

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a food drive until November 24 for the Women's Resource Center of North Platte. Items can be placed near the statue of St. Teresa in our narthex. A monetary donation can also be made to the Knights of Columbus, who will present funds raised to the Resource Center. Give the gift of a full meal or elements to make one.

The season of Advent, which marks the beginning of a new liturgical year in the Church, starts on the weekend of November 30/December 1. This year, December 8, 2024, falls on a Sunday. The celebration of Sunday as the memorial of Christ's Death and Resurrection takes precedence over all other celebrations. However, due to the importance of the Immaculate Conception as Patroness of our country, Catholics are required to observe December 9, 2024 as a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses in our Parish to fulfill this obligation will be 8 am, 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm.

The Southwest Nebraska Ultreya Center's Monthly Ultreya will be Sunday, December 18, 2024, St. Patrick's Imperial 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm

MT. 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). January Ultreya – Sunday, January 12, 2025, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, North Platte 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT.

The Daughters of Charity are currently collecting items for Centennial Nursing Facility. Although the needs of the nursing homes are many, below are some items that would be so helpful to those relying on others compassion. In the past, the nursing home residents have expressed their sincere gratitude and even the smallest gesture on our part could make their holidays so special. Items being sought include Socks (especially men's), personal care items, such as lotion, shampoo, toothpaste, calendars, puzzles, books, Word Find books. A box will be set up in the narthex for these items until December 9. They will be dropped off at Centennial Nursing Facility mid-December along with a Christmas card from our Parish. Thank you and may our Lord bless you for your generosity!!

Upcoming dates and times for your calendars: Wednesday November 27 at 5:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Mass (no Mass Thanksgiving Day); Monday December 9 Holy Day of Immaculate Conception (observed) Masses 8am, 12:15 am and 5:30 pm.; December 24 Holy Day Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 5 pm and December 25 Holy Day Christmas Mass at 10 am; December 31 Holy Day Solemnity of Mary Eve Vigil Mass 5:00 pm and January 1 Holy Day Solemnity of Mary Mass at 10 am.

Consistent Ethic of Life: “The meaning of a consistent ethic is to say in the Catholic community that our moral tradition calls us beyond the split so evident in the wider society between moral witness to life before and after birth. Does this mean that everyone must do everything? No! There are limits of time energy and competency. There is a shape to every individual vocation. People must specialize, groups must focus their energies. The consistent ethic does not deny this” (Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, Address at Seattle University, March 2, 1986).

Invitation to ALL women of the Parish- Please join us for prayer & fellowship at the next Catholic Daughters Council 1549 meeting, SATURDAY DECEMBER 7, 10am at St Pat's Spiritual Life Center.

St. Pat's School News: UPCOMING EVENTS: Monday, November 25 SPVA One Act 2:30PM--JH WR @ Perkins County Wednesday, November 27 NO SCHOOL--Thanksgiving Break Thursday, November 28 NO SCHOOL Friday, November 29 NO SCHOOL
ENDOWMENT NEWS. The Endowment Office is excited to announce that after completing our planning study with the Steier Group, the NPCS Endowment-Trust will be launching a capital campaign to: *Raise funds to enhance teacher salaries *Remodel the southwest wing restrooms at St. Pat's (football restrooms) *Remodel the boys' locker rooms at St. Pat's *Install new flooring and lighting in the McDaid commons/entry/hallways This decision was made by the NPCS School and Endowment Boards, based on the positive response to the planning study. We will share more details in the coming months, and look forward to your involvement and support. Please pray for our leaders and volunteers working to make this campaign a success! SCRIP-Shop with SCRIP for the holidays! The NPCS Endowment SCRIP program is an awesome way to earn money toward tuition while you shop! Contact the Endowment office with any questions or to purchase SCRIP--308-534-5939.

Padre Pio's Prayer of Thanksgiving: Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You. Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life, and without You, I am without fervor. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my light, and without You, I am in darkness. Stay with me, Lord, to show me Your will. Stay with me, Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You. Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to love You very much, and always be in Your company. Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You. Stay with me, Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of love. Stay with me,

Jesus, for it is getting late and the day is coming to a close, and life passes; death, judgment, eternity approach. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way—for that, I need You. It is getting late and death approaches, I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile! Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers. I need You. Let me recognize You as Your disciples did at the breaking of the bread, so that the Eucharistic Communion will be the Light which disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart. Stay with me, Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to You, if not by communion, at least by grace and love. Stay with me, Jesus, I do not ask for divine consolation, because I do not merit it, but the gift of Your Presence. Oh yes, I ask this of You! Stay with me, Lord, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more. With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly during all eternity. Amen

Parish hall is being rented Saturday November 30. Please keep this in mind if you need to be in that area.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be Sunday Dec 8 from 8:30 am-11:30 am. Free Will offering.

Knights of Columbus meeting is Monday December 9 at 7 pm in the parish hall.

PRINCIPAL CELEBRATIONS OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR 2025 First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024 Ash Wednesday March 5, 2025 Easter Sunday April 20, 2025 Ascension May 29, 2025 Pentecost Sunday June 8 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 22, 2025 CYCLES —
LECTIONARY FOR MASS Sunday Cycle YEAR C December 1, 2024 to November 23, 2025 Weekday Cycle I January 13 to March 4, 2025 June 9 to November 29, 2025

Prayer Requests: Mary Kracl (ill), Margaret McAndrew (ill) Don Kuchta (ill) +Leonard Chapek +Don Neuman