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# ST. ELIZABETH

# ANN SETON

# CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst  
 Parish Coordinator: Ashley  
 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.\*

## December 1, 2024: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Monday 12/2	8:00 am	Liv/Dec Knights of Columbus
Tuesday 12/3	7:00 am	Book of Memories/Blessings
Wednesday 12/4	5:30 pm	Brandon & Kristi Niesen
Thursday 12/5	8:00 am	Liv/Dec members Buhrman & Lee families
Friday 12/6	5:30 pm	+Ruby Langhorst
Saturday 12/7	8:00 am 5:00 pm	Mildred Law Missa Pro Populo
Sunday 12/8	10:00 am	+Christopher Beckius

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS December 7-8, 2024 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	John Bode	Damon Green
Acolyte	Phil Heimann	Conrad Buhrman
Server	Elijah Heimann Alex Krondak	James Green Kieran Tejral
Music	Volunteer Needed	Choir
Gifts	Volunteer – Ask Ushers	Volunteer – Ask Ushers
Ushers	Galen Warburton	Volunteer Needed

**Stewardship: November 24, 2024: \$2,150**

**Christmas Flowers & Poinsettias**-- If you would like to honor your loved one(s) by donating to have Christmas poinsettias and flowers in our church, please make your donation by putting it in an envelope marked for Christmas Flowers along with the name(s) of those you are remembering to be put in the bulletin December 22. Deadline for the Christmas bulletin is Wednesday, December 18 at noon. Suggested donation is \$10 per name or couple.

**RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES** at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: >There's Always More with God: Dec. 6-8 with Marian Sisters >O Holy Night: Dec. 20-21 with Fr. Gary Coulter Read more and register go to [www.goodcounselretreat.org](http://www.goodcounselretreat.org), email [office@goodcounselretreat.org](mailto:office@goodcounselretreat.org), or 402-786-2705.

**Marian Shrines Pilgrimage** June 9-20, 2025 with Fr Sagar of Holy Spirit Parish. Starting at \$3,599.00. See Lisbon, Fatima, Santiago and Barcelona. For more information, contact Holy Spirit Parish in North Platte.

**Advent/Christmas Challenge 2024**: You are invited to participate in a Parish Advent/Christmas Challenge, which will run from the beginning of Advent on November 30, 2024 to the end of the Christmas season on January 12, 2025. Proceeds from this Challenge will help the less fortunate in our Parish and help defray the ever-climbing costs of expenses, utilities, and heating. The Challenge of generosity is to select any amount of your choosing between \$1.00 and \$200.00 to help blacken a posted generosity chart in the narthex. Each family or individual gives according to what God enables them to do. Each amount will be blackened in (or if someone gave the same amount, divided so that numbers equaling it are blackened). There is no set goal. You can give once if able or more times or not at all. In many ways, it is an avenue to give Jesus and our own Parish family a gift to celebrate his birthday. Use any envelope marked for that purpose and drop in the collection basket, put in the drop box by the office door or send in the mail. Please make sure you put your name on it if you wish credit on your year-end statement (by December

31). Thank you in advance for considering if want to take up the Challenge.

**Announcing a Raffle** for two Carnival Cruise Gift Cards (worth \$500.00 each), to be used on any Carnival Cruise to any of their destinations on any of their ships. It can be put toward the cost of the cruise or anything purchased onboard. Each raffle ticket is \$5 and worth the chance to get away or regift to a family member or friend. Drawing will be held December 29, 2024. If you would like to buy a ticket or more. contact Fr. Rand and, even better, if you are willing to take some and sell them, let Fr. Rand know. Proceeds will be put in the Gift Gathering for Pumpkin Festival 2025. Thank you to all who are making this effort possible through your generosity.

**Mother of the Word A Biblical Study of Mary** taught by Joshua Burks will be held in five sessions in person or online Wednesdays Jan. 8- Feb 5, 2025 from 6:30-8:00 pm. Go to [www.EMMAUSINSTITUTE.NET](http://www.EMMAUSINSTITUTE.NET) for more information.

**Retreat for women** ages 19-99 and all vocations led by the Marian Sisters will be Dec 6-8. Held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House. For more information or to register [www.goodcounselretreat.org](http://www.goodcounselretreat.org).

**Formed.org is an** online platform featuring Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks, and movies from trusted partners like the Augustine Institute and others. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton has a subscription to FORMED. Visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) to learn about these resources. Search using the Parish's zip code-69101. You will be asked to make a username and password with the Parish's subscription at no cost.

**There will be** an All Faiths Christmas Choir at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church (305 W 5th St) on Sunday, December 15 at 7 pm. All are invited to attend.

**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.

**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](http://www.wwme.org)

**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!

**In my junior year of** high school, the leading catch of the school asked me on a date. My friend said get ready to join the club of one date only. He rented a Redbox movie and made a pizza. We were watching the movie and I thought to myself this is really nice, and the oven beeped so the pizza was done. He looked me dead in the eye and said, “This is the worst part.” I then watched this boy open the oven and pull the pizza out with his bare hands, rack and all, screaming at the top of his lungs. We never had a second date.

**Upcoming dates and times** for your calendars:

**Monday, December 9:** Holy Day of Obligation, Immaculate Conception (Observed)- Mass Times, 8:00am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm

**December 24:** Holy Day of Obligation Vigil, Christmas Eve, Vigil Mass, 5:00pm

**December 25:** Holy Day of Obligation, Christmas, 10:00am Mass

**December 31:** Holy Day of Obligation Vigil, Solemnity of Mary, Vigil Mass, 5:00pm

**January 1:** Holy Day of Obligation, Solemnity of Mary, Mass 10:00am

**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.

**From someone who had an abortion...** “[The abortion] gave me grief and sorrow beyond expression. I was petrified to tell anyone. I have committed the most heinous of all crimes. Yet, the Lord forgave me, just as he forgave Paul. Yet I will always regret what I did and will probably always feel grief. But I pray that my experience can somehow prevent other women from making the same fatal mistake. I'm a nurse now, so I wear my uniform to all the pro-life things I do! It helps.” Forgiveness and healing are available. Visit [www.RachelsVineyard.org](http://www.RachelsVineyard.org).

**Carole Fest will be** Sunday December 8 at 3 pm in Lincoln at St John the Apostle Church to benefit the St Gianna program. There is no cost but donations will be accepted at the event or donate online at [csshope.org](http://csshope.org).

**Mark your calendars:** Spirit Catholic Radio Three Days of Christmas Music will be heard on Thursday, December 26, Friday, December 27, and Monday, December 30. Listen at 90.1 FM North Platte.

**Prayer Requests:** Margaret McAndrew (ill) Ermalinda Torres (ill) Diane Zeleny (ill) Sharon Beckius (ill) +Don Neuman

## **ADVENT CHRISTMAS** **SECRET ANGELS**

Participants are asked to pray for their "angel(s)" and may if they wish express acts of kindness toward them or in their name, send Christmas cards, offer special prayers or tokens of affection via the mail and/or, token gifts left at church for them or via another. It is a creative fun way to involve the whole family and allow the Holy Spirit to actively choose for you someone in our spiritual family to pray and befriend. Parishioners young and old can participate as individuals, couples or as a family. Costs if any are to be the barest minimum. Last year many children and adults delighted in the exchange as they attempted to guess who was praying for them. Simply put your name in as an individual or family and you will receive a name in return. All families or individuals who would like to participate are asked to submit their names to Fr. Rand by email or in an envelope and placed in the top office drop box **by Sunday December 8**. The collected pool of names will be made available for drawing beginning with the Masses of the Immaculate

Conception (Dec 9) or if one will not be present that day and attend Mass elsewhere—let Fr. Rand know who will draw randomly for you. Names drawn are to be kept a secret and revealed on Saturday January 4 at our feast day celebration after Mass or by sending a card revealing yourself timed to arrive close to January 4. Please join the fun, fellowship and prayer time for each other!

## **ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON** **FEAST DAY IS SATURDAY** **JANUARY 4!**

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend our parish celebration on the feast day of Saturday January 4. Immediately after the 5 pm Mass we will have a potluck meal in the parish hall with fried chicken, drinks and table service provided by the Daughters of Charity. The remainder of the meal will be pot luck with those attending being asking to bring a side dish or dessert or both. This is a time to deepen our ties as a spiritual family and fellowship. Please mark your calendars to attend.

**PRAY FOR US ST**  
**ELIZABETH ANN SETON!**