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ST. ELIZABETH

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst
 Parish Coordinator: Ashley
 Perlinger (Bulletin, website, sign,
 choir, miscellaneous)
 Bookkeeper: Natalie Gifford
 (bookkeeping, Diocesan data
 entry)

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.

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 11:30am-
 12:30pm. Rite of Christian Initiation
 of Adults (R.C.I.A), contact office
 or pastor for more information.

Office Hours: Mondays-Tuesdays,
 8:30am-1:30pm. Wednesdays
 3:00pm-6:30pm

*All bulletin news due at noon the
 Wednesday before the Sunday it is
 to appear. Email rectory-
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February 5, 2023: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 2/6</i>	8:00 am	Marlene Safford
<i>Tuesday 2/7</i>	NO MASS	
<i>Wednesday 2/8</i>	5:30 pm	+Ray Spindler
<i>Thursday 2/9</i>	8:00 am	+Ruby Langhorst
<i>Friday 2/10</i>	8:00 am	+Dick Shasteen
<i>Saturday 2/11</i>	5:00 pm	Missa pro Populo
<i>Sunday 2/12</i>	10:00am	+Ray Spindler

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

February 11-12, 2023 (6th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Jim Nisley	Ron Tejral
Acolyte	Volunteer Needed	Conrad Buhrman
Server	Nicholas Krondak	Weston Hammond
	James Krondak	Cooper Gifford
Music	Volunteer Needed	Peggy Orr
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	David Gross	Jeff Orr

Stewardship: January 29, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$2,188,
 Maintenance- \$145, Register- \$30

Next Sunday, Feb. 12, at the 10:00am Mass, all married couples in attendance will be invited to renew their commitment to one another and receive a blessing after the homily.

Priests' Study Day and Gathering in Seward is Tuesday, February 7. Fr. Rand will be gone the entire day and evening.

ONE ROSE, ONE LIFE CAMPAIGN: On Feb. 25 and 26, the Knights of Columbus will conduct the annual "One Rose, One Life" Campaign to support pro-life activities in Nebraska. The One Rose, One Life Campaign is the main source of income for the KOC Culture of Life Foundation. Although there are many beneficiaries of these funds, the Knights of Columbus are committed to placing ultrasound machines in qualifying centers utilizing the Supreme Council's matching funds. Ultrasounds save lives. Statistics prove that ultrasounds help abortion minded women choose life. To date, 16 ultrasound machines have been placed throughout Nebraska. Other worthwhile organizations that are provided with funding include: Right-to-Life, Birthright local chapters, crisis pregnancy-help centers. It provides scholarship funds for March for Life pilgrims in all three Dioceses. There will be envelopes in the pews to place in the collection basket next weekend. Please continue to pray for the end to abortion and respect for all life. An envelope has been attached to the bulletin or is available in the narthex to share your support.

Lenten MOMS Group Starting: Is being a mother what you thought it would be? The exhaustion, monotony, mounting unfinished projects, loss of a sense of self ... Too many moms feel disillusioned and overwhelmed. Momnipotent validates the dignity and importance of motherhood and will help you recognize your uniquely feminine strengths. Come join fellow moms and see how you can use those strengths to find peace, balance, and joy in being the woman God created and called you to be. Inviting all MOMS to join in a Lenten Study Group going through the Momnipotent study. It's an 8-part video series with books and study material. Starting March 1-end of April on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in the Parish Hall. Feel free to bring the kids.

To register, reach out to Natalie Gifford at 307-575-0027 or email natalie.gifford@outlook.com We can't wait to see you there.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Thank you to the junior class and senior girls from St Patrick's High School, who shared their time in our Parish during Catholic Schools Week last week to move furniture, clean, polish pews, along with woodwork and other tasks. Please pray for them and the high school in gratitude for the service they provided to us.

A retired man now volunteers to entertain patients in assisted living homes and hospitals. He visited one hospital in Brooklyn and brought along his portable keyboard. After telling jokes and singing songs at patients' bedsides, he said farewell and, "I hope you get better." One elderly gentleman replied, "I hope you get better, too."

Please keep in mind that on Saturday, February 18, there will be no Confession Time, due to Confirmation. Fr. Rand will need to be with the Confirmands and the Bishop. Several of the front pews will be reserved for confirmands and their families.

Anointing of the Sick for those 65 years of age or older, or whose conditions present a danger of death, will be Friday, February 10 immediately after Mass.

You are invited to go to www.emmausinstitute.net and register for online classes this Spring. Lenten 10-week course offered by Dr. Vern Steiner to explore Scriptures and the Mystery of Suffering will be from Feb 21-May 2 on Tuesdays from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

World Marriage Day is Sunday, February 12. Renewal of vows will take place for all married couples at the 10:00am Mass.

“After a strong election for school choice supporters, we in Nebraska are on the precipice of an historic school choice victory. School choice supports the fundamental Catholic teaching that parents are the primary educator of their child and so I am asking each of you to be prepared to advocate and assist the Nebraska Catholic Conference. For example: within the past month Governor Pillen and 31 State Senators introduced the Opportunity Scholarship Act (LB753) in which Governor Pillen has allocated \$25 million for school choice legislation in his proposed budget. According to the Nebraska Catholic Conference, "Senator Lou Ann Linehan introduced the Opportunity Scholarship Act, LB753, on the Governor's behalf. This legislation will expand educational opportunities for families, especially low-income families, by creating a scholarship program to benefit students across the state." More information may be found here: <https://necatholic.org/takeaction/>. Of the many reasons why School Choice is essential to furthering the success of our esteemed institutions: (1) It will enable us to invite more families to our schools creating even more diverse and welcoming environments in which our students can grow and mature; (2) Allow us to focus more resources into the Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund, whereby we can give more opportunities to families who desire a solidly Catholic environment in which to raise their children; (3) provide resources to stabilize our budget, allowing us to address teacher pay, special education, pressing infrastructure needs, and perhaps other programming efforts to make our schools stand out." --Bishop Conley

The parish, along with the entire Diocese, will soon be utilizing Flocknote as a means of communication, after training and set up. This email delivery system can allow Diocesan-wide, parish-wide, or group emails.

Thank you to those who expressed interest for a Pre and Lenten Bible Study on the theme of Stewardship. We will begin Monday, February 6 at 5:30pm in the office conference room.

Ash Wednesday Masses on February 22 will be at 7:30am and 5:30pm. Fr. Rand has also consented to

provide ashes that day to the hospital staff and workers whose shifts do not allow them any opportunity.

Constructive criticism, whining, and complaining can sometimes be hard to distinguish. Constructive criticism has the heart and welfare of the other in mind, while whining and complaining will always center on oneself. Listen to what is said, how it is said, and why it is said. This way, one can quickly ascertain which is being expressed. Both can be painful at times, but one leads to healing and wellness while the other undermines, wounds, and diminishes a relationship.

February is Catholic Press Month in our Diocese. Every household in each parish should be receiving the Catholic Register newspaper—the official news vehicle of the diocese. Each parish is assessed per households at a rate of \$15.00 each. Your generosity using the envelope in your mailing or one of your own to help meet this expense.

The Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be Sunday, February 12 from 8:30am-12:30pm. The Daughters of Charity will meet after Mass, as well.

Confirmation practice for all being confirmed will be Sunday, February 12 immediately after Mass in the Church. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Knights of Columbus meeting is Monday, February 13 at 7:00pm.

SEAS Teaching Rock will be Wednesday, February 15 at 6:15pm. The topic for this session is “Same Sex Attraction” and the Church’s position.

North Platte St. Patrick’s Catholic Church is having a youth fundraiser called “Break your Fast” on Wednesday, February 22nd at 5:30pm. They will be serving pancakes and eggs. They will also be having a basket themed silent auction. They are raising funds to help youth make it to their summer events!

Please mark your calendars for a special prayer, healing, and time of reflection led by seven Marian Sisters of our diocese in our parish on Monday, March 27, during the evening. More details will be coming forth in future bulletins.

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)- is a weekend experience for high school Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors and college Freshmen. The weekend is designed to draw young people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ to encounter his personal love. TEC #120 will be held Saturday morning Feb. 18 to Monday Afternoon, Feb. 20 at St. Patrick Church in McCook, NE. Register online at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/04-ym-tec-119--mccook> Register soon to receive the confirmation letter with additional information about the weekend! For further questions, contact Andy Weber at 316-772-1906 or the Diocese of Lincoln Family Life Office at 402-488-2040.

Knights of Columbus sponsored Raging Cajun
Take Out Meal on February 21 (Fat Tuesday) from 4:00pm-7:00pm. Featuring either Etouffee or Gumbo topped with rice, cornbread, and a cookie. \$9.00. Pick yours up while supply lasts. Funds raised support the Knights of Columbus and their activities.

McCook St. Patrick & St. James Game Feed:
Tables are available for purchase for the Feb. 18th event at the Curtis Community Center. Advanced tables are available for \$300 (50 total tables). The advanced purchase gets you a reserved seating for 8, an appetizer tray for the table, and 8 drink tickets. Call the McCook rectory or Fr. Kimminau's cell, (402) 480-4137, to reserve your spot.

Pilgrimage to Greece: The Footsteps of St. Paul the Apostle Lead by Fr. Brendan Kelly May 31 – June 9 informational meeting Tuesday, January 24 at 7:00pm, St. John's Social Hall, 7601 Vine. Anne Fuldby-Olsen, who is from Greece and who created the itinerary, will lead the meeting. For brochure: <https://executivetravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Footsteps-of-Apostle-Paul-2023-Fr.-Brendan-Kelly-CATGR23-e-version-09292022-UA.pdf> or call Barb Wallingford 402-430-5811

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE:
"Becoming One in Heart and Love together, through Our Couple Communication." Feb. 10-12 in Lincoln. Call right away to reserve a place. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger, 303-604-6202.

Pope Francis' Intentions for February: For Parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

St. Pat's School News: Upcoming Events: Feb. 6: No School, **Feb 7:** 4:00pm- G&B BB vs. Dundy Co., **Feb. 8:** 4:00pm- Res. B&G BB vs. NPHS, **Feb. 9:** Parents Night, G & B BB vs Hershey, **Feb. 10:** District Wrestling, **Feb. 11:** ACT Test Date, Speech @ NPHS, District Wrestling. **Our Catholic Schools Week** was a glorious celebration of our Faith, Parishes, Community, Families and Students! "Catholic Schools Week is our annual opportunity to draw awareness to the blessings of Catholic education, not only here in North Platte, but certainly to the whole church," Bishop Hanefeldt said. "This is an opportunity to spend some time with the students not only in prayer, but also to visit their classrooms." "Catholic education is an environment in which you not only can learn about various subjects we all have to learn, but to add faith to that, integrate faith into other subjects," Hanefeldt said.

Pilgrimage to Rome. Leaving from Omaha on September 23, 2023, to Rome and Assisi and returning from Rome on October 1. It is through Tekton ministries. For more information go to the following link.

<https://www.tektonministries.org/pilgrimage-to-italy-september-23-2023>

After a while Jesus said to me, "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in you!" Sometime later, Our Lord again spoke to her, "The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of my most tender Mercy at that time when my agonizing heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. Fortunate is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold on him.—*from the Diary of St. Faustina*

Prayer Intentions: Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. ☩= repose of soul.
☩Dustan Biegler, Kelli Nisley