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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst
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 choir, miscellaneous)
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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-
 office@seas-np.org.*

March 12, 2023: 3rd Sunday of Lent

| <i>Mass Intentions</i> | | |
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| Monday 3/13 | 8:00 am | +Don Barnes |
| Tuesday 3/14 | 7:00 am | Bode/Ruskamp Families Liv/Dec |
| Wednesday 3/15 | No Stations or Mass | Adoration from 6:00pm-9:00pm |
| Thursday 3/16 | No Mass | |
| Friday 3/17 | No Mass | |
| Saturday 3/18 | 5:00 pm | Missa Pro Populo |
| Sunday 3/19 | 10:00 am | +Hilda Spindler |

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

March 18-19, 2023 (4th Sunday of Lent)

| | Saturday 5:00pm | Sunday 10:00am |
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| Lector | John Bode | Justin Pieper |
| Acolyte | Michael Krondak | Spencer Hampton |
| Server | William Krondak | Keaton Hampton |
| | Alex Krondak | Eidren Hampton |
| Music | Volunteer Needed | Greg Vandenberg |
| Gifts | Volunteer Needed | Volunteer Needed |
| Ushers | Cindy Swanson | Volunteer Needed |

Stewardship: March 5, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$2,880, Ash
 Wednesday- \$21, Register- \$30

Fr. Eckrich told the PCCW Symposium our protests are meaningless when God is asking us to go out and do—Jesus will disregard our protests. Jesus asks us to go out and feed his people, with the confidence that what little we have is enough. As we go out to share his love, we will touch lives in ways we never thought possible. In his talk after lunch titled, “Mary and the Eucharist”, he shared how his love and devotion to Mary struggled in the beginning, and how it has grown and matured. Fr. told us Mary wants us to know she is our Mother, that she’s here for us, that she will take care of us, and that she wants the best for us. Also, that Mary is asking us to go out into the world and proclaim her son, she’s our model, we can find joy in sharing her son. He concluded by encouraging us to ask Mary to deepen our love for the Eucharist. *—taken from PCCW Winter Symposium*

In his (Lenten 2023) message, the Holy Father reminds us, “He (Jesus) wants the experience of grace to be shared, not solitary, just as our whole life of faith is an experience that is shared. For it is in togetherness that we follow Jesus. Together too, as a pilgrim Church in time, we experience the liturgical year and Lent within it, walking alongside those whom the Lord has placed among us as fellow travelers.” When Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal organization of men working together in faithful solidarity for the good of their fellow Catholic families and parishioners, it was precisely to call men to this act of self-gift in charity. Father McGivney founded an organization that reached men no one else was pursuing. In June 1900, an article in Columbia highlighted the “wonderful esprit de corps” the Knights of Columbus had infused into Catholic men after only 18 years: “And this, by serving as a bulwark against indifference, has checked that leakage from the ranks of the faithful which was formerly so immense and so deplorable a loss to the Church and which went unabated because no one took the trouble to pursue the layman into the paths of his everyday social life and animate him there and everywhere with Catholic principle.” The Holy Father’s Lenten message cautions: “Do not take refuge in a religiosity made up of extraordinary events and dramatic experiences, out of fear of facing reality and its daily struggles, its hardships and contradictions.” Let us make the invitation to all to respond to the daily needs of those in our communities and parishes through the charitable self-gift that life as part of a community calls forth. *-Excerpted from Fr. Johnathan Kalish, KC Chaplain*

Rachel's Vineyard, Healing After Abortion. The program is an opportunity to examine your abortion experience, identify the ways that the loss has impacted you in the past and present, and it helps to acknowledge any unresolved feelings that many individuals struggle with after abortion. Married couples, mothers, fathers, grandparents and siblings of aborted children, as well as persons who have been involved in the abortion industry have come to Rachel's Vineyard in search of peace and inner healing. The weekend is a lot of work but yields a fruitful harvest. The next retreat will be directed by Fr Jonathan Haschke (of our Diocese) April 28-30 in Kansas City. For more info, visit: www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Camp Kateri: Summer Camp Registration is now open for SKY Camp (current grades 4th-8th), Catholic Adventure Camp (grades 3rd-5th) and the Tekakwitha Games (grades 4th-8th). For more information or to register for camp, go to www.campkateri.org.

Camp Kateri: Camp Kateri is now accepting applications for volunteer high school counselors (grades 9th-12th) for SKY, Catholic Adventure Camp and the Tekakwitha Games. For more information, or to download an application, please go to www.campkateri.org.

If you would like to donate toward Easter flowers in memory or honor of loved ones, please use the envelope in your mailed packets (or your own envelope) and note their names, along with whether they are living or deceased. In order to be included in the Easter bulletin, they must be in no later than Palm Sunday weekend.

St. Pat's School News: Thank you for another successful Irish Fest! Your support on February 26th helped generate \$35,000 for the North Platte Catholic Schools. We are grateful to all parishioners who sponsored, supported, volunteered, and attended Irish Fest!

Thank you and continue to save glass jars (washed) with lids for a project down the road. Just place them by the office door.

Meal Train: Justin & Hanna Pieper welcomed a sweet baby girl into their family! Please sign up to help with meals using this link or call Ashley at 402-202-9214. <https://mealtrain.com/v55dd6>

March 14 has been designated as a Deanery Day for the priests of the Diocese to gather fraternally, pray, and discuss matters of common concern.

Cursillo News: This Sunday, March 12, the Southwest Nebraska Ultreya Center's Monthly Ultreya will be held in Imperial at St. Patrick Church at 1:30pm CST. We'd love to have you participate in person or via Zoom. If you know someone who is interested in Cursillo, or if you are thinking of asking someone to attend a Cursillo weekend, bring them along. Zoom information: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7318208877> Meeting ID: 731 820 8877 NO PASSWORD REQUIRED. Upcoming events (put on your calendars): April Ultreya – Because the second Sunday in April is Easter Sunday, a decision will have to be made on a date. Region VI Spring Encounter – April 28-30, 2023, The Savior Pastoral Center, 12601 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS. Registration Info Coming. Cursillo National Encounter – July 20-23, 2023, at Creighton University in Omaha! Please consider attending and/or volunteering to help the Omaha Spanish Cursillo and Region VI host what will be an international event considering all the language groups that will be present. The registration fee is \$450 per person if the registration form is received by June 7, 2023 and increased by \$50 per person after June 9, 2023.

Taking St. Joseph into our Lenten journey: The only place St. Joseph appears in Scripture is in the Infancy Narratives of Matthew and Luke. Not a word of his is recorded, and there are not many tales of action. The Annunciation: Luke 1:26-38 The Visitation: Luke 1:39-56 The Birth of Jesus: Luke 2:1-21; Matthew 1:18-25 The Presentation in the Temple: Luke 2:22-40 The Adoration of Magi: Matthew 2:1-12 The Flight into Egypt: Matthew 2:13-23 The Finding in the Temple: Luke 2:41-52. Prayerfully reading each of these passages can help us know St. Joseph and how he responded to these events in his life. We have to use spiritual eyes and ears to fill in what isn't written. Perhaps St Joseph if we allow him some time this Lent can lead us to new horizons of the heart and mind.

How ready are we to cross the bridge to greater or renewed fellowship? Bridges take us from where we are to where we need or desire to be. They help us move from the past to the future by walking in the present. Jesus was a master bridge builder. The Holy Spirit stands patiently ready to help us in our lives when we take that first step.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and parish volunteers who removed the dead tree by the Parish Hall in a proactive measure to prevent it falling and doing damage.

Accepted into the Church on Ash Wednesday of 1805, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton quickly found herself truly “far away from all so dear...” having been summarily dropped from her neighboring social set, and disowned by her family. Yet upon making her confession and receiving the Holy Eucharist for the first time, Elizabeth was overjoyed: ““At last...at last, GOD IS MINE AND I AM HIS! Now, let all go its round — I have received Him!” Let us follow her example this Lent as our spiritual mother and patroness by spending time in the prayerful presence of Christ, by making a family Rosary part of our daily routine, or by making small sacrifices in order to grow in our relationship with Jesus.

Looking to go on retreat this Lent? Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly has "Holiness for Moms" retreat with Fr. Ryan Kaup on Saturday, Mar. 18. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross or Via Crucis, commemorate Jesus passion and death on the cross. There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on his journey to Calvary, usually through sacred art, prayers, and reflections. The practice began as pious pilgrims traced his path through Jerusalem on the Via Dolorosa. Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church throughout the world. Please join us most Wednesdays of Lent at 5:30pm to make the way of the cross communally, or come at your own convenience and use one of the Stations booklets provided as you enter the church.

Since Easter falls on a second Sunday of the month, the Knights of Columbus will not have their breakfast that weekend, and the Daughters of Charity won't meet. For those wishing to gather for the celebration of the Resurrection, and in the spirit of our parish family, there will be an Easter potluck breakfast before Mass (timed to allow all to receive the Eucharist). More details will come closer to Easter.

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

We invite all our younger members to honor our Blessed Mother by participating in “Mary’s Kindergarten.” Kinder means children and garten

means garden in German. Each child or family will receive their own flower seeds to plant and nurture at home until a later date (TBD). They will be brought to the church to be transplanted in the areas reserved for them. As Spring becomes Summer, and then Fall, the flowers, once full grown, will be used to decorate the church and side chapels of Mary and Joseph. Please contact Fr. Rand so he can get the flower seeds ready. This is an opportunity for parents to share with their children a devotion to Mary and involvement in our parish.

North Platte St Patrick's KoC Fish Fry will be held every Friday of Lent, except Good Friday. Serving starts at 5:30pm and lasts until after Stations. Menu: Hand-breaded fish, Salmon patty, Baked Potato, Mac & cheese, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Roll and drink. Desserts for sale by Ladies of St. Pat's. Price \$12 adults, \$6 kids 12 & under. Proceeds to Knights Charities.

National Eucharistic Revival: Our country is having a Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July of 2024. More information may be found here: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/>. As part of this, the Diocese of Lincoln has purchased 200 tickets to take a group/delegation from our Diocese. Tickets will be provided on a first-come-first-serve basis. Parishioners can register here to be a part of the Diocese of Lincoln group <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/national-eucharistic-congress>. Pricing is found on the website.

Fr. Rand will be gone after Mass on March 14 through Friday, March 17. For emergencies, contact a local priest, Fr. Walsh in Curtis, or Fr. Kimminau in McCook.

The Daughters of Charity are hosting their annual Family Favorite Recipe & Dessert Auction on Saturday, March 18 and Sunday, March 19 after Mass both days! Each family is asked to bring their favorite dessert and a copy of the recipe to the Parish Hall and it will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Funds received will be used to help defray the expense of the many things the Daughter do and provide for our parish and charity (e.g. Altar Breads and wine, liturgical candles, social activities, etc...)

During the season of Lent, our parish will be collecting non-perishable foods and household needs for the Women's Resource Center. A box will be placed near the statue of St. Therese in our narthex and emptied periodically. Items needed are canned peaches, applesauce, canned mixed fruit, canned mandarin oranges, canned pears, apple juice, capri sun drinks, cereals, oatmeal -- quick cooking, pop tarts, granola bars, fruit snacks, Pringle chips, Cheez-its, goldfish crackers, peanut butter Ritz crackers, saltine crackers, condiments, Mac and Cheese, cookie mixes, brownie mixes, Hamburger Helper, cake mixes, canned chicken, canned tuna, pasta, canned diced tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, pizza sauce, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, canned soups, flour, sugar, vegetable oil, pizza dough package, toilet paper, paper towel, detergents, and soaps.

Table of St Gregory: This event will take place on Sunday, March 26 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary in Seward, to mark its 25th Anniversary. Join seminarians to support them and seminary projects. The evening begins at 4:00pm with Evening Prayers (Bishop Conley presiding), followed by cocktails and an open house. The evening will conclude with a dinner at 5:30pm, served by the seminarians. To reserve your spot (\$75 per ticket or \$800 for a table of 10), go online to: betterunite.com/stgregorythegreatseminary-tableofstgregory2023

Eucharistic Revival Night, led by the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln, will be Monday, March 27 from 6:00pm-8:00pm in our parish. There will be Adoration, opportunities for Confessions, Reflections from the Sisters, and Prayer Teams to pray over individuals presenting themselves. This is an opportunity to deepen your love for our Eucharistic Lord with the Marian Sisters. A potluck meal will precede the Revival, beginning at 5:00pm. All attending are asked to bring a main dish and a side dish or a dessert.

Prayer Intentions: Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. ☩= repose of soul.
☩Mary Ann Zach ☩Mary Agnes Patterson
☩Kenneth Grell