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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON 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-
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April 13, 2025: Palm Sunday

Mass Intentions		
Monday 4/14	8:00 am	Intentions of Alice Robinson
Tuesday 4/15	7:00 am	Jessica Navin
Wednesday 4/16 Spy Wednesday	5:30 pm Stations 6:00 pm Mass NO ADORATION	Living/Deceased Members of Bode & Ruskamp Family
Thursday 4/17 Holy Thursday	6:00 pm Adoration until 10pm	Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life
Friday 4/18 Good Friday	12:00pm Stations 3:00pm Chaplet 6:00pm Service	
Saturday 4/19 Easter Vigil	8:30 pm	Living Deceased KOC Members
Sunday 4/20 Easter Sunday	10:00 am	Missa Pro Populo

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS April 19-20, 2025 (Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday)

	Saturday 8:30pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	Greg Vandenberg/Loren Baxa	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Ed Rieker/Phil Heimann	Duane Johnsen
Server	Elijah Heimann	Liam Pieper
	Will Vapenik	Xavier Pieper
Music	Choir	Monica Mordja
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Volunteer Needed	Jacquie Carpenter

Stewardship: April 6, 2025: Adult \$2272.00 Combined Collection \$172.00

Thank you to the DOC for paying for this year's palms (\$133.00).

North Platte ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IS HAVING TOTUS TUUS--Please save the week of July 13-18, 2025 for a fun and energetic week. We have four Totus Tuus missionaries that will be here to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to our students who are currently in grades K-12. Each day is full of learning, prayer, music, games, and fun! Registration is open! If you would like to help with Totus Tuus please contact Makaela Lauderdale at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. A SignUpGenius will be created soon for helpers! SEAS families are invited to join!

Please remember to turn in your Easter Flower Envelope by Palm Sunday, April 13 to include those being remembered or honored in the bulletin at Easter.

On April 27, during the last day of the Jubilee of Teenagers, Pope Francis will officially proclaim Blessed Carlo Acutis (1991-2006) a saint. Blessed Carlo's short life was filled with Eucharistic devotion, love for Christ and neighbor, and a passion for computers, football and video games. Blessed Carlo famously worked to document and make known Eucharistic miracles — including through a website cataloguing remarkable stories about Jesus' real presence — believing that these testimonies have great power to bring people closer to Christ and his Church. Through it all, Blessed Carlo lived an ordinary teenager's life: he was a good student, a loyal friend and a lover of nature and sports. His canonization invites us to reflect on our faith in the true presence and gives us the chance to rekindle our hunger for the Eucharist.

Jesus' Death is Our Example: "Jesus, who upon entering into the world said: "I have come, O God, to do your will" (cf. Heb 10:9), made himself obedient to the Father in everything and, "having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end" (Jn 13:1), giving himself completely for them. He who had come "not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mk 10:45), attains on the Cross the heights of love: "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (Jn

15:13). And he died for us while we were yet sinners (cf. Rom 5:8). In this way Jesus proclaims that life finds its center, its meaning and its fulfillment when it is given up. At this point our meditation becomes praise and thanksgiving, and at the same time urges us to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps (cf. 1 Pt 2:21). We too are called to give our lives for our brothers and sisters, and thus to realize in the fullness of truth the meaning and destiny of our existence." *St. John Paul II, The Gospel of Life, n. 51.*

Theology on Tap will meet Sunday April 27 at 6 pm at Apeship Brewing with Deacon Matt Irish speaker. First drink is free. Complimentary light snacks will be served. Ages 21-45.

Life is Beautiful—Enjoy the Journey! The Women's Resource Center has been serving our community for over 50 years. The Walk for Life will be on May 3 at 9:00am starting at the Women's Resource Center. Pancake Breakfast Free. Walk raises the needed funds to provide hope, help, and healing to each client that enters the doors of the Center. For more information, contact 308-534-1440.

An Easter Egg Hunt for children 10 and under will be held on Easter Sunday after Mass. Please go to the Parish Hall, where instructions will be given. The Easter Egg Hunt is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

St. Pat's School News: Enrollment is OPEN for all grade levels at McDaid and St Patrick's High school! Kindergarten through 12th Grade —ALL on one campus. Take the time to see what we have to offer. Tours can be given throughout the year. Contact Gwen Covey—308-532-1874 Join us and become a part of the IRISH school family! This is an investment you won't regret! Our Preschool classes are currently full for the Fall of 2025. Current NPCS students automatically roll into the next school year. Questions, please contact us. Gwen Covey, PR/Enrollment Director.

During the Holy Triduum up to Easter Sunday no funerals may take place in reserving the total focus for Christ's passion and resurrection.

HEALING HEARTS: In Lincoln, a six-week session helping Catholics navigate through the grieving process after experiencing the loss of a loved one will be held Apr. 22-May 27, 2025. Sessions are led by Sandy Danek & family therapist Holly Burns, who both have many years' experience assisting individuals. Contact the Office of Family Life to register at 402-473-0620

Please remember that the need for food donations extends beyond the holiday season—requests for assistance at the Catholic Food Pantry have doubled over last year. Support the Catholic Food Pantry by donating time, food, or money through the North Platte Giving Days website now through May 7.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Please turn in anything for the bulletin for the first two weeks of May before April 23. Fr. Rand will be on vacation April 28-May 15.

All are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the cathedral in Lincoln on Monday April 14 at 5 pm.

Sung Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place during a celebration of Divine Mercy on Sunday April 27 with Adoration for an hour beginning at 2:30 pm. Opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation for those seeking to gain the indulgence.

The following dates and times give added opportunity to make a good confession in preparation for Easter. Sunday April 13 at the North Platte Penance Service at Holy Spirit Church at 3 pm; Final opportunity Wednesday

April 16 after Stations and Mass (approximately 6:30 pm) until last in line heard. There will be no confessions before the Saturday Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday Mass.

The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, April 18 and concludes Saturday, April 26. In private revelations to St. Faustina, Jesus asked that the Feast of Divine Mercy be preceded by a novena praying for nine intentions with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The novena can be accessed online at www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php. Pamphlets are also available in the narthex area.

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil. The liturgical services that take place during the Triduum are: Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord.

The significance of the Oils blessed at the Chrism Mass and received at the parish at the Easter Vigil. *Oil of the Sick* This Oil of the Sick has been blessed by our Bishop for the healing of body, mind, and soul. May the sick, who are anointed with it, experience the compassion of Christ and his saving love. *Oil of Catechumens* This Oil of Catechumens has been blessed by our Bishop for the anointing of those preparing for Baptism. Through this anointing they are strengthened by Christ to resist the power of Satan and reject evil in all its forms, as they prepare for the saving waters of Baptism. *Holy Chrism* This holy Chrism, a mixture of olive oil and perfume, has been consecrated by our Bishop and the Priests of our Diocese. It will be used to anoint infants after Baptism, those who are to be confirmed, Bishops and Priests at their Ordination, and altars and churches at the time of their dedication.

Parents of high school students, Steubenville of the Rockies registration is open. The Grand Island Diocese is sponsoring a trip to Steubenville of the Rockies July 25 -27, 2025, at Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center, Aurora, CO. At this 3-day retreat students have the opportunity to meet Jesus in a way they have never experienced. Please talk with your teens about this opportunity. Find out more and register at gidiocese.org/Steubenville.

Lord Teach Me to Look, Listen Laugh and Live with Joy St Benedict Center at Schuyler, Nebraska. To Register go online at ww.StBenedictCenter.com June 7 from 10 am to 4 pm. Program fee \$45. Speaker: Margie McMenamin Walker.

Magnificat Spring Prayer Meal will be Saturday April 26 at 9:30 am at Dawson Hall John XXIII Center in Lincoln (3700 Sheridan Blvd) with guest speaker Anna Sullivan. Register at: <https://www.osvhub.com/magnificatmorningstarchapter/forms/april-prayer-meal-featuring-anna-sullivan>. \$22 for adults and students \$15.00 Deadline is April 19 For more information text Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396.

Holy Thursday Plenary Indulgence is granted to those piously reciting the verses of the Tantum Ergo after the Mass of the Lord's Supper during the solemn reposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament observing all the norms of a plenary indulgence [receiving Holy communion the same day, making a confession 20 days before or after, praying for the Holy Father [1 OF and 1 HM] and having no attachment to any sin even venial.]

Good Friday Plenary Indulgence is granted to those who devoutly assist at the adoration of the Cross in the Good Friday service or personally make the pious Way of the Cross [Stations] in the church observing all the norms of a plenary indulgence.

Easter Vigil Plenary Indulgence is granted to those who renew their baptismal vows in any legitimate approved formula observing all the norms of a plenary indulgence.

When a plenary indulgence does not meet all the criteria involved it becomes a partial indulgence.

The church will remain open on Holy Thursday until 10 pm with reposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the parish hall for Adoration.

"The Easter egg symbolizes the Resurrection: just as a little chick pecks its way out from the egg shell to emerge to new life, so Christ emerged from the tomb to new and everlasting life. The unbroken egg symbolizes the rock tomb of our Lord; and when broken, symbolizes that He has risen from the dead. The ancient Romans had a saying, 'Omne vivum ex ovo' ('All life comes from an egg'); easily, one can see how such a saying would inspire the early Christians to use the egg as an appropriate symbol for the new and everlasting life won for us through our Lord's passion, death and resurrection" ([catholic straight answers.com](http://catholicstraightanswers.com)).

Tantum Ergo

Down in adoration falling,
Lo! the sacred Host we hail;
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing,
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying,
Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Holy Ghost proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honor, blessing,
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

V. You have given them bread from heaven,
R. *Having all sweetness within it.*

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament left us a memorial of your Passion: grant, we implore you, that we may so venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, as always to be conscious of the fruit of your Redemption. You who live and reign forever and ever. Amen

Prayer Requests: +Joe Bode +Fr. Arul Carasala
+Melvin Menke +Robina Exner +Joseph Brosius
ill-Evelyn Koch ill-Cecilia Koch ill- John Greco ill-
Richard Danek ill-Jerry Steffes