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ST. ELIZABETH

ANN SETON

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst
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 Perlinger (Bulletin, website, sign,
 choir, miscellaneous)

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 and or instruction
 before any date is set.

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 11:15am-
 12:30pm.

Interested in becoming Catholic?
 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.*

April 7, 2024: Divine Mercy Sunday

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 4/8</i>	8:00am	+Sylvia Prather
<i>Tuesday 4/9</i>	8:00am	Liv/Dec Knights of Columbus
<i>Wednesday 4/10</i>	8:00am	+Charles & Mary Safford
<i>Thursday 4/11</i>	No Mass	
<i>Friday 4/12</i>	No Mass	
<i>Saturday 4/13</i>	5:00pm	Missa pro Populo
<i>Sunday 4/14</i>	10:00 am	+Joy Chilcott

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

April 13-14, 2024: 3rd Sunday of Easter

	Saturday Easter Vigil 8:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Loren Baxa	John Bode
Acolyte	Phil Heimann	Duane Johnsen
Server	Nicholas Krondak	James Green
	Elijah Heimann	Kolbe Tejral
Music	Monica Mordja	Peggy Orr
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	David Gross	Jeff Orr

Stewardship: March 31, 2024: Adult \$2,215.00, Holy Thursday \$610.00,
 Good Friday/Holy Land \$1152.00, Easter \$1428.00, Register \$15.00,
 Combined Collection 60.00, Magnificat \$228.00 Collection- \$350

Our Parish applied for and was rewarded with two Religious Education Grants for \$250.76 and \$500.00.

Join Fr. Rand this May-July for a Monday Bible study on the Catholic Epistles, beginning with the Book of James. It will be from 5:15 pm-6:00 pm weekly, except May 27 and June 3). Mark it down in your calendars! You are welcome to take notes, but reading ahead will be essential to greater understanding.

April Ultreya – April 14, 2024 at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, North Platte 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT.

It takes courage! You can make a difference. You can help the Women’s Resource Center provide another year of services to individuals facing an unplanned pregnancy. The WRC relies on individuals, churches and businesses in the community that believe in what they are doing. Their goal this year is \$100,000.00. The 2024 Walk for Life to raise funds will be May 4 and 5th. In our Parish Greg Vandenberg and Joan Ryland will have pledge sheets available for those willing to sign and help.

Friday, April 26 · 9:30am - 1:30pm CDT--In Person and Zoom Nebraska Innovation Campus (NIC) 2021 Transformation Drive Lincoln, NE 68508 Are you passionate about combating sex trafficking? Join us on Friday, April 26th to deepen your knowledge and response capabilities by learning the scope of the issue, identification strategies and survivor-centered care. In-person registration is \$20 and includes lunch. Online registration is \$10. www.eventbrite.com/e/united-we-stand-human-trafficking-conference-registration

Come to St. Robert Bellarmine in Omaha on April 26 and 27, 2024 to hear friends from EWTN and Catholic Answers speak on THE EUCHARIST: The Source and Summit of our Faith. This 2-day symposium will feature: Fr. Wade Menezes, Tim Staples, Coleen Kelly Mast, Joe Heschmeyer, and Stacy Trasancos. Jack Williams, General Manager of EWTN Radio, will serve as our emcee as we explore the Eucharist. A bookstore will be open before, during, and after the symposium with a

Saturday box lunch available for pre-purchase. The symposium will be held from 7 - 9:30 pm Friday, April 26, and 9 am - 4:30 pm Saturday, April 27. Tickets are \$25 each. For more info and to purchase tickets, go to spiritcatholicradio.com/April

St. Pat’s: Blood Drive- Friday, April 29, 2024, 12:00pm-4:00pm. To make an appointment, call 532-0622. Donate blood and help a student earn a scholarship!

Knights of Columbus Meeting is Monday, April 8 at 7 pm.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be Sunday, April 14 8:30 am-noon.

Daughters of Charity will meet Sunday, April 14 after Mass.

All Parish children are invited to the Marian Sisters Summer week May 19-24. Registration and more information will be forthcoming.

Holy Spirit Church: Biblical walk through the Mass-explores the extraordinary Biblical roots of the liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters. There will be a book and a workbook \$26.95 for the set. Starting May 6th, 5 Sessions ending June 10th REGISTRATIONS DUE by April 12th Please contact the Parish Office (308-534-6623) if interested. Classes will be 1:00 p.m. and/or 7 p.m.

My husband and I were daydreaming about what we would do if we won the lottery. I started: “I’d hire a cook so that I could just say, ‘Hey, make me a sandwich!’” My husband shook his head. “Not me. I already have one of those.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: Apr. 19-21: Back to the Garden Retreat for Young Adult Women with Sarina Stokes and Fr. Cole Kennett May 4-8: 4-day with Matt Simmons or Sarina Stokes; May 3-8: 5-day, or May 3-10: 8- day Ignatian Retreats with Matt Simmons May 10-11: Let’s Talk Roses Retreat for Women, with Janette Howe. To read more and register, go to www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org, or 402-786-2705.

A lesson from the Divine Mercy website in 2006 is worth discerning: St. Faustina was not immune from the problem of dealing with difficult people. In the convent, there were obviously sisters whose personalities clashed with hers. She referred to them as people "from whom our nature flees," or "those who, deliberately or not, have made us suffer" (*Diary*, 766). St. Therese, the Little Flower, also speaks of such sisters. But in both cases, they tried to serve Jesus by serving that person. St. Faustina writes, "At such times more than at others, I try to discover the Lord Jesus in such a person and for this same Jesus, I do everything for such people" *Diary*, 766). Here she is not speaking about people who are dangerous to her, but simply those who annoy her, or cause her to suffer interiorly. They are careless, often not realizing the impact of their actions. Clearly, it is hard to discover Jesus in a person who is causing one troubles. But St. Faustina explains that she expects nothing from creatures, and therefore is not disappointed. She says, "I know that a creature is poor of itself, so what can one expect from it? God is everything for me; I want to evaluate everything according to God's ways" (*Diary*, 766). If we are working with others, we have to expect something from them, but we cannot expect that others will do their work perfectly, or we will do it perfectly, for that matter. St. Faustina recognized that God is so much more perfect than any of us, and yet He still loves us and wants to be merciful to us. Thus, although it is difficult, mercy is to be extended to others, especially in daily circumstances.

The Chaplet: Today's observance of Divine Mercy Sunday is a good time to renew our devotion to the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. There is a close link between this devotion and the pro-life movement. Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC, who was a principal translator of St. Faustina's diary, and the postulator of her cause of canonization, writes the following: "On at least three occasions, from 8:00-11:00 in the evening, she felt like her insides were being torn apart. She suffered so much that she thought she was going to die. The doctors couldn't figure out what was ailing her, and no medication was able to alleviate her sufferings. Later, she was given to understand that she was undergoing those

pains for mothers who were aborting their children (*Diary*, 1276). "On another occasion, she had a vision of an angel coming with thunderbolts to destroy one of the most beautiful cities of her country. And she felt powerless to do anything about it (*Diary*, 474). What antidote did the Lord give her? The Chaplet of Divine Mercy. [She explained] that the city was to be chastised for its sins, primarily the sin of abortion." ("Wombs of Mercy," *Marian Helpers Bulletin*, Summer 1995, p.13). In 2003, St. John Paul II issued an Apostolic Blessing to all who pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet "for mothers, that they not abort their offspring; for infants in danger of being put to death in the womb; for a change of heart of providers of abortions and of their collaborators; for human victims of stem cell research, genetic manipulation, cloning and euthanasia; and for all entrusted with the government of peoples, that they may promote the Culture of Life, so as to put an end to the culture of death."

Congratulations to those who made their First Communion this weekend: Jeffrey Peiffer, Anna Krondak, Zelig Tejral and Ronan Birulkin.

Mark your calendars to adore the Lord at the Eucharistic Revival Holy Hour being held in our parish as the pilgrims trek their way through in June. The Holy Hour will begin at 6:30 pm on Friday June 13 with confessions available during it. Watch for more information on events for the Eucharistic Revival North Platte June 13-15 in future bulletins.

Anyone temporarily or permanently homebound and would like to receive the sacraments is welcome to contact Fr. Rand to make arrangements.

Servant of God Archbishop Fulton

Sheen encouraged all Catholics to make a daily holy hour in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist (if one's other duties are too great, he says part of that holy hour can be the daily Mass). He says, "The purpose of the Holy Hour is to encourage deep personal encounter with Christ. The holy and glorious God is constantly inviting us to come to Him, to hold converse with Him... to experience what a blessing there is in fellowship with Him."

If Easter is over for another year, then you have missed its meaning and message.

The solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, celebrated nine months before Christmas, is assigned to March 25 on the church's General Calendar. But, on occasion, March 25 might fall on a day that would trigger a transfer of the solemnity. Such liturgical shuffling is guided by a document promulgated after the reform of the church's calendar following the Second Vatican Council. General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, promulgated by Pope St. Paul VI in 1969, ranks various liturgical celebrations according to an established precedence or order of importance and significance. The General Norms states that the Sundays of Lent and the days of Holy Week take precedence liturgically, even over feasts of the Lord — which is the type of feast the Annunciation is classified as. Accordingly, then, if March 25 is on a Sunday of Lent, then the solemnity is observed on the following date applicable, which would most often be on March 26. If March 25 lands during Holy Week or during the Easter octave (the week following Easter), however, then the Annunciation is transferred to the first Monday after the Easter octave. Therefore, this year, since March 25 is Holy Monday on the Roman calendar, the liturgical celebration of the Annunciation will be observed on Monday, April 8.---excerpt from OSV

Do you want to free yourself from anxiety, the fears of rejection and failure, and the need for approval? Do you want to root out the sins of pride, jealousy, and envy in your heart that lead you to judge yourself and others? The Litany of Humility is a powerful prayer that, when prayed fervently and frequently, will lead you to a life of abundant gratitude, a true spirit of humility, and a heart transformed by the merciful and healing love of God. --- LITANY OF HUMILITY-- Jesus! meek and humble of heart, Hear me. From the desire of being esteemed, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being loved, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being extolled, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being honored, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being praised, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being preferred to others, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being consulted, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being approved, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being humiliated, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of

being despised, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of suffering rebukes, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being calumniated, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being forgotten, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being ridiculed, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being wronged, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being suspected, Deliver me, Jesus. That others may be loved more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be esteemed more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be chosen and I set aside, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be praised and I unnoticed, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be preferred to me in everything, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

Totus Tuus registration begins April 1st! Totus Tuus will be at St. Patrick's Catholic Church July 14th-19th. Totus Tuus is for current Kindergarten through current 12th grade students. This year the curriculum will be on The Apostles Creed and The Glorious Mysteries. —Kindergarten-6th will meet Monday-Friday (15th-19th) from 9am-3pm. —Evening group will be 7th-12th graders meeting Sunday –Thursday (14th-18th) from 6pm-8:15pm. Evening group will be provided dinner. Sign up early so you can get a T-Shirt! Register at <https://gidiocese.org/totus-tuus> St Elizabeth Ann Seton registered parishioners should use the code Seton (not case specific) and your fees will be paid for by the parish if registration takes place in advance as part of a religious grant the parish received. Please register now in order to secure your spot!

Fr. Rand will be gone from April 11-25 on vacation.

For Your Prayers +Jon Castillo +William Scheideler +Patricia Kimminau +Kay Gilliland