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e ST. ELIZABETH Diseas-np.org org 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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May 28, 2023: Pentecost Sunday

Mass Intentions			
Monday 5/29	No Mass		
Tuesday 5/30	No Mass		
Wednesday 5/31	No Mass		
Thursday 6/1	No Mass		
Friday 6/2	5:30 pm	Siblings of M & J	
Saturday 6/3	8:00 am 5:00pm	+Rhett Morlang Missa Pro Populo	
Sunday 6/4	10:00 am	Pour Souls	

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS June 3 – 4, 2023 (The Most Holy Trinity)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Loren Baxa	Michael Krondak
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Ron Tejral
Server	Alex Krondak	Cooper Gifford
	Elijah Heimann	Weston Hammond
Music	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Galen Warburton	Volunteer Needed

Stewardship: May 21, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$2.732.68, CCD- \$100

<u>Three friends</u> stranded on a deserted island find a magic lamp. Inside it is a genie who agrees to grant each friend one wish. "I want to go home," says the first friend. The genie grants her wish. "I want to go home, too," says the second friend. And the genie sends him back home. "I'm lonely," says the third friend. "I sure wish my friends were back here."

Calling all North Platte St. Pat's Alumni! Reunion Weekend 2023 on June 30th & July 1st, The Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament will be held Friday, June 30th at River's Edge Golf Course. Online Team Registration will open May 22nd! Open house, social and reunion banquet will all be held on the NPCS campus on July 1st. You may RSVP at any time by contacting the Endowment office: 308-534-5939, w.dodson@npcschools.org. Golf team registration banquet RSVP's and can be made at: www.bidpal.net/spalumni23.

Fr. Rand will be gone after Mass on Sunday, May 28 until Friday, June 2 to make the annual Diocesan Priest's Retreat in Waverly. There will be adoration on Wednesday due to the generosity and kindness of our acolytes.

<u>There will be a potluck</u> Potluck on Sunday, June 4 at 5:00pm for all the parish to kick off Summer CCD with the Marian Sisters. Please bring a main dish and side dish/salad/or dessert. Beverages and tableware will be provided.

<u>Thank you to Sylvia Prather</u> for her dynamic and inspiring sharing of her miraculous healing. Thank you also to all those who supplied snacks for after the talk and helped to clean up.

<u>There will be confessions</u> for Summer CCD (and anyone else) on Monday, June 5 at 12:45pm, until last in line is heard. There will also be a confession opportunity on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00pm until the last in line is heard.

All high school students entering grade 9 and above, as well as college students, are invited to a Pizza Party evening with the Marian Sisters on Wednesday, June 7. It will begin with Mass at 5:30pm, followed by an opportunity for confession and pizza with the Sisters. Please RSVP to Fr. Rand so he can order the appropriate amount of pizza!

<u>On Sunday, June 11</u> at the 10:00am Mass, there will be a Corpus Christi procession. It will begin with Exposition after Mass is concluded and will proceed outdoors to Stations of Blessings/Prayers. We will then return to the main altar for the Eucharistic Benediction. Please plan accordingly, since this will lengthen the time normally held for Mass.

Knights of Columbus Free Will Breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 11 from 8:30am-12:30pm.

<u>The Daughters of Charity</u> will hold a meeting on Sunday, June 11 in the Parish meeting room after Mass and the Corpus Christi Procession. All women of the parish are welcomed and invited to come.

<u>The Knights of Columbus</u> will meet on Monday, June 12 at 7:00pm in the church, followed by the meeting in the Parish Hall.

<u>Server training</u> for boys entering Grade 3 and above will be on after Mass on Sunday, August 6. It will also serve as review training under the mentorship of Harmon Johnsen (Knights of Columbus). Please mark it down on your calendars.

<u>Please be aware</u> that no one should use the parish name, Fr. Rand's name, or phone number to make charges without prior approval by Fr. Rand.

Estate Planning services are being offered for free for area seniors (60 years and above), but registration is required and limited spots available. The one hour sessions are held by appointment only and could include Power of Attorney, Health Care Power of Attorney, Simple Wills, etc. It will be held November 17 at the North Platte Senior Center. To register for an appointment, contact the Nebraska Law Civil Clinic at 402-472-3271 (press 0 when you hear the recording).

Join us for the Jerry Campbell Pro-life Walk honoring Jerry and all his family for years of service for the sanctity of human life. The walk is Saturday, June 3 at 10:00am at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church parking lot, and ends at the Women's Resource Center with an open house.

<u>Come and See</u>: There will be a vocational discernment retreat with the Daughters of St. Paul from May 26-28 in St. Louis, MO. It is for women ages 18-30. There will be Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Silent Retreat Day, conferences by the Sisters, experience of the Pauline apostolate, community time and recreation, and more! Register at <u>www.vocations.daughtersofstpaul.com/events</u>.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) is a Solemnity that falls on the Sunday after the Most Holy Trinity in the Dioceses of the United States. This annual celebration occurs two weeks after Pentecost toward the beginning of summer in the return to Ordinary Time, following the Great Easter 50-Days. The institution of the Eucharist has as a special memorial the Mass of the Lord's Supper, when Christ the Lord shared a meal with his disciples and gave them the sacrament of His Body and Blood to be celebrated in the Church. The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) further proposes the cultus of the Blessed Sacrament to the faithful so that they may celebrate the wonderful works of God, signified by the sacrament and accomplished by the Paschal Mystery of Christ. This Solemnity is also intended to teach the faithful how to share in the Eucharistic sacrifice and to have it more profoundly influence their life, to revere the presence of Christ the Lord in this sacrament, and to offer the thanks due for God's gifts. In its devotion, the Church has handed down as a distinctive feature of the celebration of this solemnity, a procession in which the Eucharist is carried solemnly and the Christian people give public witness to their belief in the sacrament of the Eucharist and to their devotion.

<u>Please keep in prayer</u> the priests of our Diocese, the majority of whom will be making one of three retreats next week, the week after, or in August. This time of personal renewal allows the Holy Spirit to heal, inspire, and lead the servants of the people of God. Retreats are a good investment of time for the faithful to consider at any time throughout the year.

Diocesan Invitation: Spirit Catholic Radio invites you to a Eucharistic Encounter on June 20th at Cathedral of the Risen Christ! This diocesan event will celebrate and deepen our Faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Hear from speaker Fr. Malachy Napier, CFR, and Bishop James Conley. Participate in adoration, Eucharistic piety, dynamic teaching, and powerful sacred music. View the Vatican International Exhibition, Eucharistic Miracles of the World display created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, who was named patron of the National Eucharistic Revival initiative and watch a video about his life. Doors will be open for Eucharistic Events from 5:00pm-10:00pm, and the Liturgical Program will take place from 6:45pm- 9:00pm. The event is free, and registration is not needed. Visit spiritcatholicradio.com/encounter for details.

Have you been able to make a donation or pledge for the Charity and Stewardship Appeal? Your generosity is greatly appreciated and helps our parish and the poor.

<u>Choir</u>: There will be no choir on Sunday, June 4. Please join us for choir in July on Sunday, July 6.

<u>The North Platte</u> Catholic Community Food Pantry is in desperate need of hamburger. Please contact 308-532-8800 with any questions.

Nebraska Bishops Commend Nebraska Legislature for Transformational School Choice Bill Lincoln, Nebraska - Archbishop of Omaha George Lucas, Bishop of Lincoln James Conley, and Bishop of Grand Island Joseph Hanefeldt issued the following statement on the passage of LB753, the Opportunity Scholarships Act: "The Catholic Bishops of Nebraska celebrate the passage of LB753, the Opportunity Scholarships Act, by the Nebraska Legislature. As the first and primary educators of their child, parents are uniquely suited to tend to their child's educational needs. Parents have the privilege, right, and duty to choose the best educational setting for their child. The passage of LB753 represents a profound affirmation of this fundamental principle that parents are the primary educators of their children. By providing scholarship opportunities to low-income families, LB753 will enable parents to exercise greater freedom in choosing the educational environment that best meets their children's unique needs and aspirations. Every child deserves an education that nurtures their intellectual, spiritual, and moral growth, and LB753 makes а transformative education more accessible to all children. We thank all the State Senators who voted to support the passage of LB753. In a very special way, we are grateful to Senator Lou Ann Linehan for her years of dedication to school choice and education policy. We also thank Governor Jim Pillen for his leadership in prioritizing school choice for Nebraska's families, and we look forward to his signing LB753 into law."

"Let the children cry," "It is a beautiful homily when a child cries in church."—Pope Francis. Crying babies, young children and youth are signs of a living parish. Let us pray and support families as they raise their children to know, love and serve the Lord. This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church. Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word "pentecoste," meaning 50th. There is a parallel Jewish holiday, Shavu'ot, which falls 50 days after Passover. Shavu'ot is sometimes called the festival of weeks, referring to the seven weeks since Passover. Originally a harvest feast, Shavu'ot now commemorates the sealing of the Old Covenant on Mount Sinai, when the Lord revealed the Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. Every year, the Jewish people renew their acceptance of the gift of the Torah on this feast. Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room. The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfills the New Testament promise from Christ (Luke 24:46-49) that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel. Priests in the United States and many countries will wear red vestments on Pentecost, symbolic of the burning fire of God's love and the tongues of fire that descended on the apostles.

Pentecost Voice: The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. According to the late Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, who served as President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

St. John Paul II urged all Catholics to renew their dedication to the Sunday Eucharist in his apostolic letter, Dies Domini. "It is crucially important that all the faithful should be convinced that they cannot live their faith or share fully in the life of the Christian community unless they take part regularly in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly. The Eucharist is the full realization of the worship which humanity owes to God, and it cannot be compared to any other religious experience. A particularly efficacious expression of this is the Sunday gathering of the entire community, obedient to the voice of the Risen Lord who calls the faithful together to give them the light of his word and the nourishment of his Body as the perennial sacramental wellspring of redemption. The grace flowing from this wellspring renews mankind, life and history." While it may be easier to not attend Mass on the weekend when traveling, we would be sacrificing the graces that God wants to give to us. Mass is foremost an invitation to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

<u>**Thank you to all**</u> who helped in any way for the funeral Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and the meal following the funeral for Reiny Burbach.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>**Prayer Intentions:**</u> Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. += repose of soul. +Reinhold Burbach, ill- Jim Svec