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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)

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.\*

## July 21, 2024: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 7/22</i>	8:00 am	Gary & Lynda Spindler
<i>Tuesday 7/23</i>	7:00 am	+Rick Virgil
<i>Wednesday 7/24</i>	5:30 pm	Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz
<i>Thursday 7/25</i>	5:30 pm	Liv/Dec KC
<i>Friday 7/26</i>	8:00 am	McKenna Ketter
<i>Saturday 7/27</i>	5:00 pm	Missa Pro populo
<i>Sunday 7/28</i>	10:00 am	+Gene Johnston

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS July 27-28, 2024: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector/Reader	Mary Herout	Ron Tejral
Acolyte	Derek Miller	Duane Johnsen
Server	Nathan Miller	Jacob Birulkin
	Luke Miller	Kolbe Tejral
Music	Monica Mordja	Matt & Ashley Perlinger
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Steve & Janet Fear	Dave Beran
Rosary		

Stewardship: July 14, 2024: Adult \$2540.00 Mission Coop \$15.00

**Sacrifices** allow others opportunities they would not otherwise have.

**The TV Mass for the Homebound** will not be broadcast on KSNB-TV in Hastings and KNOP-TV in North Platte on July 21, July 28, August 4, and August 11, due to the stations' contractual obligations to carry other network programming at that time on those dates. You can also watch the TV Mass for the Homebound each weekend on the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln YouTube channel on demand any time after 4:00 p.m. Saturday each weekend.

**Where Health Care Ethics and Medicine Converge--*Converging Roads*** is a regional conference series offering continuing education for health care professionals that equips them to practice the highest ethical and medical standards of their profession. For more information or to register, go to <https://forlifeandfamily.org/form-page-cr24-omne/>

**Join the Diocese of Lincoln** in a Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Mexico City Pilgrimage 1: October 3 - 8, 2024 Pilgrimage 2: October 24 - 29, 2024 Pilgrimage 3: February 1-6, 2025 **Cost REDUCED to \$1775!** (Note: Price subject to change as flights are confirmed) To register, go to <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/07-dio-2024-25-lincoln-diocesan-pilgrimage-to-mexico-city>

**If you have** United States flags to be "retired" respectively that have become worn, torn or no longer viable, please bring them to the church the next few weeks and set them on the narthex pew by the office. One of our parishioners has volunteered to take them to a proper place of disposal.

**Those who ordered** the "Eucharist" book from Holy Spirit parish—they are now in and can be picked up M-F from 9-5.

**Psalms School Of Prayer** Bible Study will begin Aug 19 for eleven weeks with two sessions offered at 1 pm and 7 pm. Workbook is \$2795 and Online video access is \$6.95. Deadline is July 29. Contact Holy Spirit Parish for more information.

**Reaching the end** of a job interview, the Human Resources Officer asks a young engineer fresh out

of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "And what starting salary are you looking for?" The engineer replies, "In the region of \$125,000 a year, depending on the benefits package." The interviewer inquires, "Well, what would you say to a package of five weeks' vacation, 14 paid holidays, full medical and dental, company matching retirement fund to 50% of salary, and a company car leased every two years, say, a red Corvette?" The engineer sits up straight and says, "Wow! Are you kidding?" The interviewer replies, "Yeah, but you started it."

**The Pumpkin Festival** will be coming sooner than we might think. It is set for Sunday, October 6 from 11 am-2 pm. Please keep it in your prayers. The Fall Festival Silent Auction Committee would like to suggest for those wishing to donate items the following ideas: Local Gift or gas cards, using your credit card points to pick out an item or gift card to donate, a themed basket of new items of your making, an hour of light house cleaning, yard work or babysitting service, or baking certificate (such as cookies, cakes, breads, rolls, desserts, etc.) for a specific date or holiday just to name a few. Let your creativity flow. Refer questions to committee members Mary Herout, Donna Bode or Jane Kuchta.

**FORMED:** Registering for FORMED is easier than ever: Go to [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup): Select your Parish (using zip code is easiest): Register with your name and email address: Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

**Attention all Parishioners!** Our Parish's Knights of Columbus 12530 Fr. McGivney Council, invites all Parishioners to celebrate the 25th anniversary of founding. Please join us Thursday, July 25 for Mass at 5:30pm, followed by a potluck meal in the Hall. The Council will provide a taco bar and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

**"I + YOU = WE" MARRIAGE WEEKEND:** For all married couples, non-Catholics also welcome! August 24-25 at St. John the Apostle Catholic Church, Lincoln. \$275 per couple. To Register <https://loveandlifeprogramsa.org/>

## **The Knights of Columbus work to empower**

Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their Parish, at work and in their community. They were established in 1882 by Venerable Michael J. McGivney to provide a means by which Catholic men could support the Catholic Church, provide financial protection to protect their families and engage in works of charity to benefit the less fortunate. Today, its nearly 1.8 million members make up the largest Catholic lay organization in the world. From helping children in need to providing wheelchairs for the physically disabled and support for the intellectually handicapped, from helping to stock food banks to offering top-rated and affordable life insurance to its members, the Knights have been at the service of the communities in which they live and the needy around the world for more than 127 years. All the good works done are informed by four core principles: Charity – Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights recognize that mission and faith in God compels them to action. Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So Knights stick together... support and encourage one another. Fraternity – The Venerable Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely. The Order’s top-rated insurance program continues to do this today, as do individual Knights, who last year gave more than 10 million hours of their time to assist sick and/or disabled members and their families and Patriotism – Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. They are proud of devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it’s in public or private, the Knights

remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Learn how to bring the peace of Christ into your relationship by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience WHEN- September 27-29, 2024, WHERE-North American Martyrs, Lincoln, Nebraska. Other weekends available are Oct. 4-6, Grand Junction, CO; & Nov. 1-3, Dillon, CO. For questions, or to find out more about Virtual Encounter Weekends, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839, or visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)

## **EMMAUS INSTITUTE FALL COURSES:**

Registration for Emmaus Institute fall courses is now open, including a free course, Encountering the Heart of God in the Psalms, taught by Dr. Vern Steiner (Thursdays). Emmaus Vice President of Academics, Dr. John Kincaid, a recognized expert on St. Paul, will offer The Apostle: An Introduction to Paul's Theology (Wednesdays, online only). Other courses include The Gospels and Acts (Mondays) and Elementary Biblical Greek I (Wednesdays). All courses are twelve weeks in length, beginning the week of August 19 and concluding the week of November 11. Learn more and register via the QR code or at [www.EmmausInstitute.net](http://www.EmmausInstitute.net).

**Make your reservations** for the MAGNIFICAT SUMMER PRAYER MEAL—Saturday August 10, 9:30 a.m. at Dawson Hall, John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln, with guest speaker Lora Unger. Lora is a wife, married to Chance for 11 years; a mother with four children here on earth and three in Heaven; and a co-founder of the “Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family” with her husband under the spiritual guide of Father Ben Holdren. Come hear Lora’s inspiring testimony, and invite other women to join us in Catholic fellowship. Register by mailing your \$20 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. (students \$15) Deadline is August 3. For more information text Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396 or call and leave a message. (Dawson Hall is handicap accessible, east doors of the Chapel)

**Please join us** for a Macaroni Bar and desserts on Wednesday August 7 at 6 pm in the parish hall. (Mass that day is at 5:30 pm a usual with Adoration following). Enjoy plain mac n cheese or with a variety of toppings available. This is an opportunity to strengthen our spiritual family ties and also for newer members to meet their fellow parishioners. All are invited and encouraged to come.

**Dean walks into a** tavern and its empty except for James the bartender. He sits down and orders an ale. He hears someone whisper, "Pssst...I like your tie." Dean looks around but doesn't see anyone. "Pssst...that color looks nice on you." He asks the bartender, "Excuse me, but...are you speaking to me?" The bartender rolls his eyes and says, "No, sorry about that. It's the peanuts... they're complimentary."

### **What are some benefits of going to Confession?**

Confession helps us to better “know thyself.” St. Augustine and countless other saints and doctors of the Church talk about the importance of knowing ourselves well. Through coming to know ourselves better, we realized how fallen we are, and how badly we need God’s help and grace to get through life. Frequent Confession helps remind us to rely on God to help rid us of our sins.

Confession helps us overcome vice. The grace we receive from the Sacrament of Confession helps us combat our faults and failings and break our habits of vice much more easily and expediently than we could otherwise do without the sacramental grace.

Confession brings us peace. Guilt from the sins we commit can make us feel all mixed up inside and cause us to lose our peace and joy. When we hear God’s forgiving words to us from the lips of the priest in Confession, a burden is lifted off our shoulders and we can again feel the peace of heart and soul that comes from being in a good relationship with God.

Confession helps us become more saintly, more like Jesus. Jesus was perfectly humble, perfectly generous, perfectly patient, perfectly loving—perfectly everything! Don’t you wish you could be as humble, generous, patient, and

loving as Jesus? Saints throughout history have felt that way too, and they have frequented the Sacrament of Reconciliation to help transform them into people who are more like Christ. Little images of Christ—that’s what saints are! Confession makes our will stronger. Every time we experience the Sacrament of Confession, God strengthens our will and our self-control to be able to resist the temptations that confront us in our lives. We become more resolute to follow God’s will and not our own whims. The words of absolution in the Confessional are truly beautiful: “I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Jesus is waiting to forgive you—all you have to do is ask! Don’t miss out any longer on the healing power of Confession.—excerpt from Catholics Come Home.org

**Lord, we pray** for our political leaders, both elected officials and those aspiring to serve in public office. Grant them wisdom, integrity, and a genuine desire to serve the common good. May they prioritize justice, compassion, and the well-being of all people, regardless of their background or beliefs. May they be kept safe from harm and may our own prayers be guided by love of God and neighbor. Amen.

**Prayer for Comfort:** Heavenly Father, I feel alone, beaten up, tears fill my eyes, I toss and turn at night. Words can’t express the ache in my heart. I feel pain every day. I pray to you as I am desperate for help. I need to know that you care, that you love me, be my refuge from pain, replacing my distress with peace, and be my strength when I feel weak and find it hard to carry on. Help me not to fear the future but to boldly trust that you are in control when my emotions plunge me down, and when I am in despair. And times when I can’t talk and don’t know what to say, help me to “Be still, and know that you are God”. Be my comforter, my healer and bring me peace. In Jesus’ name, Amen.—author unknown.

**Prayer Requests:** +Fr. Ferdinand Boehme +David Moss +Tyler Behm +Ermin Snitily +Mary Boehme +Don Exner