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# ST. ELIZABETH

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# CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Fr. Rand Langhorst  
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 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-  
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## September 17, 2023: 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
<i>Monday 9/18</i>	8:00 am	Poor Souls
<i>Tuesday 9/19</i>	8:00 am	Poor Souls
<i>Wednesday 9/20</i>	5:30 pm	Brooke Bale
<i>Thursday 9/21</i>	8:00 am	+Reiny Burbach
<i>Friday 9/22</i>	8:00 am	John & Anna Perlinger
<i>Saturday 9/23</i>	5:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo
<i>Sunday 9/24</i>	10:00 am	Success of the Pumpkin Festival

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

#### September 23-24, 2023 (25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 10:00am
Lector	Loren Baxa	Justin Pieper
Acolyte	Ed Rieker	Duane Johnsen
Server	James Krondak	Xavier Pieper
	Nicholas Krondak	Liam Pieper
Music	Volunteer Needed	Matt & Ashley Perlinger
Gifts	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Steve & Janet Fear	Spencer Hampton

**Stewardship: September 10, 2023: Adult Envelopes- \$1,781.75**

**The Pumpkin Festival is nearly here!** It is time to warm up those ovens! We would appreciate three articles or more per family please. Please bring articles to the Parish Hall classrooms on Saturday, September 30 if possible. Pies (Both pumpkin and pecan pies are permitted, but no cream or meringue pies, as they require refrigeration). All baked goods are welcome. Best sellers: Berry pies; kolaches, four on a plate; banana or zucchini bread, small loaf homemade bread, cinnamon or pecan rolls, four on a plate; cookies for Bake Sale, six on a plate; & unfrosted angel food cake. Other food related items are welcome such as homemade jams, jellies, salsas, soups or other culinary creations. The Dessert Walk will use all simple cakes or designated plates marked for the Dessert Walk of a dozen of cookies, bars or similar items.

**Why shouldn't you tell a secret in a cornfield?**

Because the corn has ears. How do you fix a broken pumpkin? With a pumpkin patch! What happened when the turkey got in a fight? The stuffing was knocked out of him. What is it called when a tree takes some time off? Paid leaf. What kind of music did the Pilgrims listen to? Plymouth Rock. Why does Humpty Dumpty love autumn so much? Because he had a great fall. Why did the pumpkin lose the boxing match? He let his gourd down. What do lumberjacks shout at the start of fall? Sep-timberrrrrr!

**Southwest Nebraska Ultreya Center's Monthly**

**Ultreya** will be held Sunday, September 17, in Imperial. 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. Where: St. Patrick Church Hall, Imperial Time: 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT Zoom information is the same as previous months. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7318208877> Meeting ID: 731 820 8877 NO PASSWORD REQUIRED. October Ultreya – October 8, 2023, at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, North Platte 1:30 pm CT – 12:30 pm MT. De Colores!

**St Patrick's** of North Platte invites all to a Spanish Mass on Sunday, Sept. 24 at 5pm. After Mass, there

will be a potluck and fellowship, please bring a dish to share in the Parish Hall!

**The Pumpkin Festival Silent Auction**

requests that anyone with Silent Auction baskets or donations turn in their items **no later than Saturday, September 23**. Items received after that date will not be included in this year's Silent Auction. The Silent Auction will be available to parishioners for preview and bidding on Saturday, September 30 immediately after Mass.

**Registration is now open** for The Way: A Healing Retreat for Female Survivors of Abuse to be held October 6-8 at Camp Comeca in Cozad, Nebraska. The Diocese of Grand Island Victim Assistance Ministry, in collaboration with the Victim Assistance Ministries in the Archdiocese of Omaha and Diocese of Lincoln, is hosting this 3-day guided meditation and prayer experience for women who have experienced any type of abuse and is seeking healing for their heart, mind, body and soul. The Way Retreat was developed by Sue Stubbs, Director of the Victim Assistance Program in the Archdiocese of Atlanta, who will be the primary facilitator of this retreat. For more information, go to <https://www.gidiocese.org/the-way-retreats>. To request an application: email [bheidt@gidiocese.org](mailto:bheidt@gidiocese.org), or call Elizabeth A. Heidt Kozisek, Ph.D. at 308-382-6565 or 308-379-1949 (cell). We have some funds available to assist women with the cost if needed. We don't want finances to ever be a barrier to healing.

**Please mark this on your calendars.** Workers are needed on Saturday, September 30 to set up for our Pumpkin Festival on October 1. We will start at 8:00 am! Rolls, coffee, and juice will be provided. Lunch will also be available after setting up. We need strong men and high school guys to help. Girls/ladies are invited to assist as well. We will and can find jobs for all who are willing to chip in to make it fun and easy. We want to clean out the shed that day as it has needed that for a long time! Please contact Cindy Swanson, Alice Robinson, or Fr. Rand if you have any questions.

**The Pumpkin Festival Plant Booth** is in need of indoor/outdoor plants, or cuttings. If you have some to donate, please contact Toni Barron at 530-9982. Thanks!

**Many of us are familiar** with the 80/20 rule. Twenty percent of parishioners typically do 80 percent of the work. Things to consider in increasing engagement. **1. Ask!** It sounds simple, but the best way to get new individuals involved is to ask them personally. General invitations fall flat. Most people hearing it believe it does not apply to them or that someone else will step up to the plate. We need you! Expressed in terms of why a person was approached because of their strengths, skills or abilities resonates many times with their desire to be helpful and part of the team and success. **2. Keep it simple.** When we are trying to get people to volunteer, especially for the first time, the simpler the request, the better. The easier we make that first step, the more likely it is that someone will take it. **3. Trust.** Most leaders have a certain way they like to see things done. While it's important for things to be done correctly, doing something correctly is not always the same thing as doing it in precisely the same manner as it was done previously. It's important to trust that a new person will do something correctly, even if it is not done exactly the way it has always been done. If word goes around that someone will be looking over their shoulder or trying to micromanage their work, people will stop volunteering. Leaders need to learn to trust new people to do things in their own way, while still holding them accountable for the end result. **4. Celebrate.** It is important to set aside time to say a word of thanks, offer praise or give a compliment. --summarized from Doug Powe's *Leading Ideas*.

**Come to the Paul J. Kim Presentation** at North Platte McDaid Gym on Monday, October 2 from 7-8:30 pm. All are invited and welcome to listen to one of the most sought out Catholic youth and young adult speakers in America. Using laughter, deep reflection and prayer, Paul utilizes his many talents such as music, beatboxing, comedy, and inspirational skills to communicate the Gospel message. Please come and join!

**You are fully known and deeply loved!** The WRC has been serving our community for over 50 years. Join the celebration at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Resource Center Fundraising Banquet on Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> to learn more about the ministry, how they serve our community, and how you can share your time, talents, and treasures. See Greg Vandenberg or Joan Ryland or call the WRC at 534-1440 for more information.

**Bishop Emeritus Fabian Bruskewitz of Lincoln** will be a guest speaker on Friday, September 29 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Lincoln, and will present on the topic of Vatican II. Free parking! \$10 per ticket to attend.

**The Spiritual Warfare in the Family Conference** has been rescheduled! Come join us for this one-day event on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023 to hear evangelist and best-selling author Kathleen Beckman share strategies on how we can address spiritual warfare & safeguard our families. Seats are limited to 250 so please register soon using the QR code or link. Questions? Contact Mary at 402-314-0479 or mharper55@yahoo.com. Sponsored by the Office of Family Life & Discipleship and Benedict Prayer <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/warfareconference>

**Called to the Silence:** 3 Day Directed Ignatian Retreat Opportunities: God speaks to you in the silence. Are you ready for some quiet time away to pray, to listen, to be? Steep yourself in our sacred space, to be still and open yourself up to the graces God has for you. You will meet with an Ignatian-trained spiritual director daily. To examine your heart and mind. Opportunity for mass daily and confession. Retreat cost including room and meals is \$375. October 26-28, 2023. Retreat begins at 6:00 p.m. the first evening, and ending the last day by 3:00 p.m. Register at [www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats](http://www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats)

**Life Chain:** Will you stand for life? Join us at the Life Chain on Sunday, October 1, from 2:00pm-3:00pm at 4<sup>th</sup> & Jeffers Street. Unite for an hour of silent prayer to end abortion with other Christians. Signs are provided. For more information, visit [LifeChain.org](http://LifeChain.org) or call Peggy @ 308-532-3333.

**Join us for the 2023 Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet and Conference** on October 6th and 7th, under the

theme, "The Truth Will Set You Free." Truth reveals God's plan and purpose. Truth exposes and breaks the chains of sin. Truth dispels falsehood and deception. Truth brings transformation and renewal. The truth sets us free by guiding us into a relationship with God, enabling us to experience His transformative power, and granting us the freedom to live in accord with His divine will. By embracing and living in God's truth, we find true freedom, joy, and fulfillment in our lives. Join us as we discover how truth is lived in a new Dobbs era featuring keynote speaker and Catholic Answers apologist, Joe Heschmeyer! The annual Banquet and Conference provides the opportunity for celebration, stewardship, and lifelong learning for over 500 pro-life Nebraskans. This pro-life weekend kicks off with the Banquet on Friday, October 6th. The Banquet evening features a cocktail hour at 5:30 PM followed by dinner, an awards ceremony, and the keynote address. On Saturday, October 7th, the Conference commences at 8:30 AM with Liturgy of the Hours, followed by presentations on public policy issues and Catholic Social Teaching with Q&A from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please see the full schedule below. For more information or to register go to [NECatholic.org](http://NECatholic.org)

**North Platte Holy Spirit Fall Festival** is Sunday, September 24 from 11-2. Serving Turkey dinner dine-in or drive thru, Raffle, Special raffle, Silent Auction, Baked Goods, children's games. Please help support a neighboring Parish.

**Theology on Tap** is back at St Patrick's, North Platte! We will be meeting at Occasions on September 17, 2023, at 6:30pm. Eric Heckman from the GI Diocese will be our speaker. He is going to speak about his World Youth Day Encounter and the Eucharist. Anyone 21 to 40 years of age is invited to attend. We have a great line up of speakers before Christmas. Watch your bulletin for more info!

**Ablaze Worship Night**: Bring your family to an outdoor event of Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat

House in Waverly. Sun, Sept. 24, 6-8pm for Times of Praise and Adoration with Fr. Michael Voithofer.

**McCook Saint Patrick's Fall Festival** is Sunday, September 24 from noon-4 pm with DJ Music, Outdoor Snack Shack, Indoor Sit-down meal, Bingo, Live & Silent Auctions, Games for children.

**St. Pat's School News**: Upcoming Events:

**Monday, September 18**: 4:00PM—JH FB vs. Sutherland, 5:00PM—Res, JV VB @ NPHS 6:00PM—JV FB vs. Sutherland **Tuesday, September 19**: 4:00PM—JH VB @ Sutherland **Wednesday, September 20**: NO SCHOOL—PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES, 10:00AM—GGO @ Ogallala **Thursday, September 21**: 4:00PM—XC @ Ogallala, 4:00PM—JH VB vs. Hershey, 7:00PM—FB @ Sandhills Valley **Saturday, September 23**: UNK Parade—Marching Band, 10:00AM—V VB @ Sutherland Tourney **G.R.E.E.N. 2023**: Save the date and join us at G.R.E.E.N. on October 21st! Dinner, drinks, games, prizes, silent & live auctions, Lucky Lotto drawing, spirit wagons, and entertainment with the Polka Police... All are welcome! Tickets are \$75 per person. Proceeds benefit the North Platte Catholic Schools. Call the Endowment office for tickets (308-534-5939), or purchase online at: <https://onecau.se/green>.

**Pumpkin Festival Raffle Tickets**: Please don't throw away unsold tickets—return them and sold ones to the office in the top slot by the office door this week. Please don't wait until the weekend of the festival. We have people waiting to buy tickets now.

**Venture down** this sacred road, treading the very ground Abraham, Jacob, King David, and Jesus once walked. Discover the history, witness the healing, and realize the hope along Route 60, the Biblical Highway. This is an opportunity to enrich your spirituality. Being offered at the North Platte movie theater on Monday September 18 and Tuesday Sept 19 with showings each day at 4 and 7 pm. Purchasing tickets online ahead is suggested.

**Prayer Intentions**: Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. += repose of soul + Richard Bohaty Sr. +Robert David Gross