



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7, 2018

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PARISH WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

ENTER THE MASS! Praise and honor to God!

Monday, October 8

8:10 a.m. +Virginia Pfeiffer
Health of J.J.P.

Tuesday, October 9

8:10 a.m. +Anne Bruns
+Robert Michael Hamling

Wednesday, October 10

8:10 a.m. +Glen Stanek
+Monica Michaels

Thursday, October 11

8:10 a.m. +Stephen Ptacek
+Renie Cope

Friday, October 12

8:10 a.m. +Rita Rubin
+Valjean Carpenter

Saturday, October 13

8:00 a.m. +Margaret Ball
5:00 p.m. Special Intention for Bossung family

Sunday, October 14

8:00 a.m. +All Souls Day Intentions
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS:

Weekdays: Before Mass
Saturdays, 3:30-4:45 PM
Sundays, 7:30-7:45 AM and 9:30-10:15 AM

Wee Worship, Children's Liturgy,

during Sunday 10:30am Mass, 4yrs thru 1st grade. Daycare for 1-3yr olds for all of Mass is also offered at this Mass, in St. Joseph's Room.

Head Count at Mass last weekend: 542

Contributions for September 30, 2018

General Collection at Mass	\$	9,077.05
General Online Giving	\$	4,411.00
Debt Reduction	\$	1,095.00
Debt Reduction Online Giving	\$	30.00
Teachers/Staff	\$	69.00
Teachers/Staff Online Giving	\$	30.00
Register	\$	15.00

Prayer requests? Please call or text 943-9959, or call 296-3039, or email chsprayerchain@gmail.com

Do you know of anyone who is no longer healthy enough to be able to come to Sunday Mass, and would like to be on the Sunday Communion Call ?....
...Please let us know at the parish office. 296-3139



Our Fall Festival is THIS Sunday
October 7th 11:30am – 4:00pm
Dinner, Fun and Games, Prizes
In the school gym, and outside!

Life Chain

THIS Sunday, October 7th 2:00pm to 3:00pm
At the corner of Chicago & 8th Ave (by Casey's)
Rain or shine, show your Pro-Life Faith!

We will provide the signs to hold.

You provide the prayers and a witness to LIFE!

(Yes, this is the same day as our Fall Festival; please try to make it to both, if possible!!!)



“All Souls Day Mass Intentions”: The Mass is the highest form of prayer and it is good to pray for the deceased at Mass! We will again this year have the All Souls custom where you list (in the Commons beginning later this week) the names of all those who have died for whom you want to pray, and, in the marked box put whatever amount you deem appropriate as a stipend. Or put the stipend in an envelope clearly marked for that purpose, and drop it in the collection basket. Names and stipends will be collected through October. The names are put together as one “All Souls Day Intentions” and the stipends collected are divided into the standard \$10 Mass stipends. That many Masses are then offered throughout the year for all those listed. This way, probably on a weekly basis, one of the priests’ Mass intention will be for all these departed family members and friends.

Magnificat subscription re-order time. The current subscription for those who are receiving the Magnificat missalette with the parish bulk rate will end with December’s issue. To renew or to newly subscribe, call Sue at the rectory office, 296-3139, **no later than Monday, Oct. 29th**. (Or put a note & money in a clearly marked envelope into Sunday’s collection basket.) The bulk rate is \$32.00 for the year, rather than its regular \$47.00 rate. The missalettes are sent to the church, for you to pick up there. Father Houlihan highly recommends Magnificat as a great way to enter into the daily Mass readings, as well as Magnificat’s many nourishing and faith-building meditations.

Church cleaning reminder: For Oct 8 (at 9:00am): Peterson, Peterson, Pfeiffer, Pohlmeier, Pohlmeier, Pollmiller, Porter, Poutre

Cardinals Basketball sign-ups now underway

Registration for St. John's Cardinals basketball team is now underway. Registration is OPEN TO ALL BOYS AND GIRLS OF THE PARISH IN 4th - 8th GRADES. Already play for your school's basketball team? No problem. You can also play for the Parish/School team too. Basketball Season runs from November - February. The fee is \$75 (a sports physical must be completed) and uniform is provided. Practices take place approximately 2-3 times a week and games are scheduled once a week. To register your child, please visit stjbcatholic.com/forms or contact Kirsten Woodcox at 402.296/6230 or kirstenwoodcox@cdolinc.net.

Collecting for the 9th annual Diaper Drive

PCCW is helping with the October Pro-Life Diaper Drive going on in each of the Lincoln Diocesan parishes throughout the month of October. Donations will be shared with the Pregnancy Centers approved by the Bishop's Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities and Catholic Social Services across the Diocese and St. Gianna Women's Homes. The Centers we serve advise that the Diaper sizes 4, 5 & 6 are in greatest demand. Your diaper donations are greatly appreciated. There is a playpen in the Commons in which to drop them off. Thank you!

Looking for people to join and help a new outreach program.

"Holy Helpers" will be creating hats, scarves, mittens, blankets, etc., for Plattsmouth community members in need. Join us monthly, beginning on Oct 16, 10am - Noon in the church basement. Contact Karen Beckman, 402-297-1556, for more information.

Thank you to all who put a smile in front of their amazon.com shopping site, and designating Church of the Holy Spirit as the charity to support! Please remember that smile.amazon is the same in all ways as the original amazon, except that under the smile title, they give a percentage back to the charity designated! Sign up once, then log in to "smile" after that! ☺ Maybe ask family and friends to do the same, if they are amazon shoppers!

Some upcoming dates:

October 7 – Fall Festival, Dinner and Games! 11:30am - 4:00pm
October 7 – Life Chain, corner of Chicago & 8th Ave 2:00-3:00
October 13 – Rosary Prayer Walk, Noon. From church to Mary's grotto.
October 16 – "Holy Helpers", 10am-Noon (see note in this bulletin)
October 21 – Knights' free-will donation breakfast, in gym after Masses
October 21 – Corporate Communion for CDA at 10:30 Mass
October 21-24 – Set up / donate for PCCW Rummage Sale
October 25-27 – PCCW Rummage Sale in school gym
October 27 – Parish Day of Recollection, 2-4pm, sponsored by KofC, CDA
October 27 – Cornhole Tournament
October 27 – Trunk or Treat, 6:00pm in the parking lot

For a more detailed list of upcoming church events and meetings, please visit www.holyspiritplattsmouth.com and/or check the front table in the Commons.

Knights of Columbus – Council 1966 / George Johnson GK 235-3518

Fall Fund Raiser Winner – This week's winner of the NE vs Purdue game was Jack Haller. Thanks, Jack, for your support.

General Business Meeting – Thursday, October 11, 7:00pm in SJR.

October Breakfast – The Knights will be serving breakfast after the 8:00 and 10:30am Masses, Sunday, October 21st. The Knights will be serving pancakes and French toast, sausage and apple sauce. The proceeds will support our seminarian.

Pro-Life Banquet and Conference - The Nebraska Catholic Bishops invite you to join pro-life leaders across the state for the annual Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet and Conference: Saving Lives in the Good Life October 26 & 27 at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln! This year's banquet on Friday, October 26 will feature keynote speaker Dr. George Delgado, pioneer of the abortion pill reversal process which has saved 400 lives (and counting) since 2007. The conference on Saturday, October 27 will feature Dr. Delgado, pro-life experts, and advocacy training by Nebraska Catholic Conference staff. See our bulletin board in the Commons, or visit www.necatholic.org, or call 402-477-7517 for more information or to register.

At St. Benedict's church hall in Nebraska City: Mary Ulbrick's "Style Chicken Dinner" will be held on Sunday, October 21, 4-6pm. Featuring recipes from the cookbook of Mary Ulbrick. Serving pan fried chicken, chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, frog-eye salad, creamed cabbage, creamed corn, green beans, kraut salad, hard rolls, and dessert. **Cost:** Adults \$10. Children 3-12 yrs \$5.

Healing Mass at Sts Cyril & Methodius Church in Clarkson, NE

The Holy Spirit moves very well in times of trouble in the Church. For this Mass, their parish is especially inviting those who have had an abortion in their lives, those who have been a victim of abuse of any kind, and those who are in need of any kind of healing. What is it like to be healed of your pain? Jesus is the great healer. There will be a healing Mass held on Thursday, Oct 18th, at 7pm, 120 Cherry St., Clarkson, NE. Confessions will be heard at 6:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this healing Mass. The Holy Spirit provides this loving time of healing for us. Any need for healing, we pray for in this healing service. Any question, call Fr. Rod at 402-892-3464.

PASTOR'S NOTES:

Since I was writing about angels last week, I should also mention the Guardian Angels. We celebrated their feast on Tuesday, not too many days after the Holy Archangels were commemorated in the Mass (the Saturday before). Our belief in these angels and their particular function comes from one of the Lord's teachings (Mt. 18:10) about how God watches over us: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father." For little children especially, the idea of a Guardian Angel brings home in a very concrete way the love and protection of the Father. At my old grade school, there was a statue of a Guardian Angel in the lobby, and we were frequently told to meet a parent or someone else there. The Angel of God prayer is pretty standard in Catholic schools and CCD classes. Little kids might be thinking that they need to leave a space between themselves when they line up so that their guardian angels can also have places—although they do not need a space because, as you well know, they take up no space (they are pure spirits). So, in answer to the question that supposedly was asked in the Middle Ages (although this is doubtful): "How many angels can dance on the head of a pin?" The answer would have to be all of them (since they can be present spiritually and not physically) or, perhaps, none of them (since they do not need space as bodies do). The only bodies they have are those they take to appear to those to whom they bring a message. Angels do not prevent evil from happening to us all the time, and there are some people who seem to keep their guardian angels working overtime, but they remind us, even in times of pain, suffering, and sorrow, that we are not now and never will be alone. These things, the results of original sin in humans, as well as the effects of that, which are seen in nature itself, some say, need not lead to despair but, for Christians, who believe in the Resurrection, they can lead to hope. Goodness is triumphant (eventually), even though we may not see the whole picture in our little neck of the woods. God is good and the angels remind us of that fact.

This is the weekend of our Fall Festival ("Harvesting Faith"), and the leaders (especially Ken and Beth Staskiewicz and their team) this year are trying a few new things (like the chili cook-off)

or reviving a few old things (like the use of the east side). They have worked very hard, and I hope that you enjoy the day and the good things that go with it, from 11:30 until 4.

We are having our Life Chain this afternoon at Eighth Avenue and Chicago (at the foot of the hill coming in from the roundabout) and we invite those that can to join us for silent prayer and witness to the claims of the most powerless among us, the unborn, as we stand for life from 2 to 3. Signs will be provided and your prayerful presence is the most powerful sign of all.

This Tuesday the priests will be in Manley late in the afternoon and early evening for a scheduled deanery day. If you cannot locate us, Fr. Wiedel can.

We are happy to have the same wonderful group (Mike and Pat Vaughn and their team) as last year taking care of the tables where people can sign their cards for the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations. Last year we were very happy about reaching our parish goal (which would have become an assessment for us if we had not reached it) and we are delighted (if history proves true—I am writing this column sometime in advance of this weekend) to have one of our seminarians with us at the Masses this weekend. It is almost forty years since I was ordained a priest and, for Fr. Danek, it is going on two. Both of us have the good people of this parish and others in our diocese to thank for helping to make our journey financially possible. We hope that your investment is paying off. God bless all of you!

We have our parent meeting scheduled in the gym on Wednesday evening at 7 P.M. for families that have a boy or girl making first confession this winter (Sunday, February 10, with Feb. 17 as "snow date") or First Holy Communion in the spring (Saturday, May 4—no "tornado date"). We would like each family represented by at least one of the parents. Students need not come. Peace!

Father Houlihan