



# CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA

Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 2, 2019

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**June 2<sup>nd</sup> is Father Houlihan's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood!**

**Thank you, Father, for bringing the sacraments to us!  
 Thank you for your kind and holy care for us!**

**PARISH WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE**

*ENTER THE MASS! Praise and honor to God!*

**Monday, June 3**

11:30 a.m. +Mildred Johnk

**Tuesday, June 4**

11:30 a.m. Safety of babies in the womb

**Wednesday, June 5**

11:30 a.m. +Marcia Holdridge

**Thursday, June 6**

11:30 a.m. 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Norm and Kathy Manley

**Friday, June 7**

11:30 a.m. +All Souls Day Intentions  
 +Colette Schlueter

**Saturday, June 8**

8:00 a.m. +Mary Anna Morehead  
 5:00 p.m. +Emil Schmid

**Sunday, June 9**

8:00 a.m. +Sophia Vinduska  
 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

**Head Count at Mass last weekend: 648**

**Contributions for May 26, 2019**

<b>General Collection at Mass</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,418.27</b>
<b>General Online Giving</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,165.33</b>
Debt Reduction	\$	1,270.00
Debt Reduction <i>Online Giving</i>	\$	295.00
Teachers/Staff	\$	152.00
Teachers/Staff <i>Online Giving</i>	\$	230.00
Utilities <i>Online Giving</i>	\$	45.00
Peter's Pence	\$	10.00
Franciscan Sisters	\$	100.00

**The PCCW expresses their appreciation** and gratitude to everyone who made this year's Spring Salad Luncheon a success. Thank you to everyone who donated ingredients, salads, casseroles and desserts. Thank you to all the ladies of the parish who worked during the luncheon and thank you to the men of the parish who put up and took down tables. We could not do it without your help. See you next year.

**Totus Tuus – this week!**  
 9:00am - 3:00pm for those entering grades 1-8, Mon - Fri.  
 8:00pm - 10:00pm for those entering grades 9-12 (graduating seniors also welcome), Sunday - Thursday.  
**Not registered yet?** Check their table in the Commons after Mass this weekend, or call Crystal Jeys, 601-3557.

**Daily Mass this week at 11:30am**, due to having Totus Tuus summer camp.

**Handicap doors** We now have push-button "handicap doors" for entry/exit to our Church!

**Some upcoming dates:**

- June 2 – Father Houlihan's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood! Cake after all three weekend Masses!
- June 2-6 – TOTUS TUUS for High School students
- June 3-7 – TOTUS TUUS for students entering grades 1-8
- June 3-7 – Daily Mass will be at 11:30am rather than 8:00am.
- June 7 – Knights of Columbus's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner
- June 9 – Breakfast by PCCW in honor of Father's Day, and in farewell to Father Danek who will be reassigned to St. Mary's, Nebraska City
- June 15 – Golf Tournament – St. John's Golf Classic
- June 16 – I-80 Collar Series, Lincoln priests vs Omaha's, 3pm, Werner Park
- June 17 – Fr. Danek leaves for his new assignment in Nebraska City
- June 17 – Fr. Gary Gross expected to arrive, as Priest in Residence
- June 23 – Corpus Christi procession on the church grounds after 10:30 Mass
- June 23 – Priest Appreciation Pot-Luck luncheon, directly after the Corpus Christi procession

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

**Summer Volleyball Open Gym** All parish & StJB girls entering grades 1- 8 are invited to join us for Summer Volleyball Open Gym on Thursday, June 13, 20 & 27 from 10:00 - 11:30am in the StJB gymnasium. No reservations are needed. Feel free to bring your daughter to one or all of the open gym times. The session will be guided by StJB Coach Deb Walton and will focus on skill instruction and drills geared for all ages. If you have any questions, please contact Deb at [deb-walton@cdolinc.net](mailto:deb-walton@cdolinc.net).

**Holy Spirit Catering Sign up to help! Next Event:**

Friday, June 7, Knights of Columbus 100 year banquet



•To help, look for all Holy Spirit Catering events at [SignUpGenius.com](http://SignUpGenius.com) Click on the search symbol in the upper right. Search by email: [holyspiritcatering@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritcatering@gmail.com). Or text or call Laurie at 402-679-2457.

**"Stewardship of Talent" Dinners for Fr. Houlihan and Fr. Danek:** We have a great team set up – thank you! June 3, Nicollete Kerns, June 5: Gay Lepert, June 6: Bonnie Seyfer, June 10: Chrissy Faller, June 12: Glennia Sand, June 13: Liz Rubin

**This week's featured Seminarians:** Bradley Moss from Lincoln and Daniel Reiter from Bellwood. Both entered seminary in 2018 and are in College 1 at St. Gregory the Great. We pray, too, for Adam Bohan from Plattsmouth, who entered seminary for the Society of Jesus in 2015. Please keep all our seminarians and sisters in formation in your prayers.

**Church cleaning reminder:** For June 8 (at 9:00am): Ellington, Englett, Ernest, Evans, Fees, Fees, Fenton, Ficklin

**Knights of Columbus** Council 1966 / George Johnson GK 235-3518  
**General Business mtg** – June 13 in SJR  
**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** - Friday, June 7 following 5:00pm Mass  
**2019 Golf Tournament** – Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at Bay Hills Golf course, shotgun scramble, dinner following in St. John's gym.

**Come join the golfers for a Steak Dinner.** St John the Baptist Elementary School Golf Classic .... the 15<sup>th</sup> of June. Food will be served around 6:00pm. Dinner includes a 10 oz New York Steak, baked potatoes, baked beans, salad and desserts. All for \$20.00. Limited number of spots. There will be a raffle as well, with over \$1,400.00 in prizes. Please sign up in the Commons.

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## **PASTOR'S NOTES:**

We welcome our Totus Tuus team members to the parish for their annual week with our grade-school and high-school students. "Totus Tuus" was the motto of Pope St. John Paul II, which means "all or totally yours," his submission to the Blessed Virgin Mary. She unfailingly leads us to her Divine Son, and that is the goal of the coming week—to help our young people come closer and stay closer to the Risen Lord. Daily Mass will be at 11:30 A.M. This week we make a special prayer that our young people will have a chance to encounter the Risen Lord, as did Mary and the Apostles. I am coming to realize that the old way that the faith was passed on, almost from the very air that we breathed, is no longer working in most places and in most families. There is an unexplained "falling off" from the faith that is quite perplexing to us—almost, through no fault of our own, the torch that has been passed from one generation to the next has seemingly gone out or been dropped. That is why movements like Totus Tuus are so refreshing and encouraging—to see young people engaged in and enthusiastic about our faith, which is ever ancient and yet ever new, is exciting to see. If we have failed as individuals or as a community, the Holy Spirit continues to surprise and delight us in many ways--the flowers continue to come up from the mud, and the promises that Jesus made that He would be with us always and that He would not leave us orphans, remind us that God's power is the real force behind our feeble efforts. The change of heart that is required for conversion and change can only come from the power of the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord Jesus! Come, Holy Spirit!

We have a tremendous support group here at the Church of the Holy Spirit for our Totus Tuus program, and this year it is headed by (but certainly not limited to) Crystal Jeys. Thanks to all of our wonderful host families who provide lodging for the team, families who provide meals for the team, and all those that help throughout the week to make things run so well. Blessings upon you!

Please pray for yours truly as he makes his annual retreat this week at the Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly—Fr. Danek did his last week. We as priests are required to do this every year, but most of us look forward to this special time of grace. I continue to encourage people to consider an annual retreat on a weekend. Waverly is close and the grounds are beautiful (much like our own). If you

think you do not have the time, you are precisely the person that should go. I invite spouses and friends to consider giving a weekend there as a gift. The one who receives it will thank you for it!

Thanks to outgoing Parish Council members Dan Rubin, Deb Walton, Melicca Carpenter, and Mike Bridges (although many of these people will be helping in some related capacity), and to our new members: Bill Bohan, Scott Koelzer, Sterling (Gene) Sand, and Rick Sharman. One of the great strengths this parish has is the commitment from so many and the depth of talent in our leadership pool. Thanks also to Pat Vaughn, Carol Tilson, Brandon Finn, and Travis Bourret, who are continuing members. Special thanks to Pat and Mike Vaughn for hosting a potluck social at their home for the transition from the old to the new team. Many parish organizations also have representation on the Council, so that we can continue to communicate, coordinate, and move forward on many things. God bless you all!

We are happy to have the handicap door project finished—and a protocol in place for locking in the evening and unlocking in the morning. You can always use the door on the way out, but we want our night adorers to feel safe by making sure it is locked from the outside at night. Thanks to Herm Scholl for fixing some indoor stains relating to the old leaks (which have been, happily, fixed!) in the rectory. We have many good stewards here at the Church of the Holy Spirit.

We are planning to fix the cement at the entrance to the building on the east soon. That will be the last of the major projects identified by the strategic planning process that began several years ago, during the time the survival of the school was in immediate danger. Since then, we are also looking at repainting the outside of the buildings following some stucco work (some individuals have volunteered to tackle this this summer), some repair on windows in the rectory, and the re-ordering of some areas that would give more storage space, more meeting space, and some new confessionals in a new location. We will try to keep you abreast as things are discussed by the buildings and grounds committee and other groups. Thank you for your support!

**Father Houlihan**