

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2024

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Marriage: Contact the Rectory at least six months in advance of the expected wedding date.
For Baptisms or Weddings, you must be a Practicing Catholic and a member of the parish. To be a Godparent, you must be a Practicing and Confirmed Catholic and, if married, married in the Church.

PARISH WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

27th Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 7

7:00 a.m. Monika Michaels+
 8:10 a.m. Merlyn Hildebrand+

Tuesday, October 8

7:00 a.m. Jack Gewinner+
 8:10 a.m. Betty Meisinger+

Wednesday, October 9

7:00 a.m. Safety of babies in the womb
 8:10 a.m. Lillian Kline+

Thursday, October 10

7:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Gene Ward+
 8:10 a.m. LaNelle Wegner+

Friday, October 11

7:00 a.m. Terry & Judy Wiles+
 8:10 a.m. Living & deceased members of the Aylor family

Saturday, October 12

8:00 a.m. Sue Zwiebahmer+
 4:00 p.m. All Souls Day intentions+

Sunday, October 13 (28th Sunday in OT)

8:00 a.m. Raymond Hike+
 10:30a.m. People of the Parish

Confessions:

Mondays & Fridays, 7:30 - 7:55am
Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:45pm
Sundays, 9:45 - 10:15am

Head Count last weekend: 560

Contributions for September 29, 2024

General Collection	\$	6,545.00
General Online Giving	\$	3,041.00
Debt Reduction	\$	175.00
Debt Reduction Online Giving	\$	160.00
Teachers/Staff Online Giving	\$	112.00
Combined Relief	\$	10.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$	25.00
Utilities Online Giving	\$	25.00



Annual Life Chain

This Sunday, October 6

from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. At the corner of Chicago & 8th Ave (by Casey's, Golden Dragon, & Subway). *Rain or shine, show your Pro-Life Faith! We will provide the signs to hold. You provide the prayers and a witness for LIFE!*

Global day of prayer Pope Francis calls for global day of prayer, fasting on Oct 7th, amid escalating conflict in Holy Land. Read about his request at CatholicNewsAgency.com.

15th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive During the month of October, PCCW will be once again collecting diapers. Please bring them to the playpen in the Commons! The highest need are donations of sizes 5 & 6. Thank you for your generosity; it is greatly appreciated. There is also a container if you prefer to make a cash donation.



Holy Spirit Catering is a Church of the Holy Spirit serving ministry.
 Next Catering Event: **Wednesday, Oct. 16,** Teammates Fundraiser. Help needed for setting up & taking down tables and chairs. To help, call Joy: 669-2455, or email holyspiritcatering@gmail.com. **Thank you!**

Last Call.....

...To renew or newly subscribe. Deadline is Monday, Oct 7

- Magnificat** – a monthly subscription – bulk rate **\$35/year**
- Living Faith** – a quarterly pamphlet – bulk rate **\$8/year**
- MagnifiKid!** – a monthly subscription – For children age 6 to 12. Bulk rate **IF** we have a minimum of 10 subscriptions: **\$18/year**.

All bulk subscriptions will be ready to be picked up outside the parish office each month or quarter.

Some upcoming dates:

- Oct 5/6 – Bishop's Appeal for Vocations weekend #1
- Oct 6 – Annual Life Chain, 2-3pm, corner of 8th Ave & Chicago
- Oct 12/13 – Legion of Mary selling "33 Days of Morning Glory" books, \$5.00
- Oct 12/13 – Bishop's Appeal for Vocations weekend #2
- Oct 16 – Catering event, Teammates Fundraiser, in the gym

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- October Rosary** – Wednesday, Oct. 9th, at 6:30pm in the church.
- Men's Faith Development** – Wednesday, Oct. 9th, at 7:00pm in SJR.
- October General Meeting** – Wednesday, Oct. 9th, at 7:30pm in SJR.
- Tootsie Roll Drive** – Mark your calendars now: 11-12-13 October. Our biggest fundraiser for the Special Olympics each year. Help us distribute Tootsie Rolls with warm smiles!



A new church directory is being worked on, and it's time to schedule your picture to be taken! *By participating, you will not only receive a free 8x10 portrait, church directory and mobile app on your phone, but pictures will be ready before Christmas.* The directory will have the usual roster of parishioners' names and addresses, etc., and it would be the greatest if we had matching pictures! **You can schedule your photo date online** – instructions for that can be found below. **Our parish directory will not be complete without you! You are picture perfect!**

Photography Dates

Day	Dates	Time
October	<u>Tues-Fri in Commons/Sat in Gym</u>	
Tuesday	10/15	2:00 – 8:30
Wednesday	10/16	2:00 – 8:30
Thursday	10/17	2:00 – 8:30
Friday	10/18	2:00 – 8:30
Saturday	10/19	10:00 – 4:00
<i>(This Saturday – in Gym)</i>		
November	<u>Tues-Sat in Commons</u>	
Tuesday	11/12	2:00 – 8:30
Wednesday	11/13	2:00 – 8:30
Thursday	11/14	2:00 – 8:30
Friday	11/15	2:00 – 8:30
Saturday	11/16	10:00 – 4:00

For online scheduling, go to:
www.ucdir.com
Church Code: NE253
Password: photos

Consecration of the Election to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mary Immaculate, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the eternal Wisdom lies hidden to be adored and served by angels and men, Queen of Heaven and of Earth, beneath whose sway are subject all things that are lower than God, Patroness of the United States of America, sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation, we come to thee, our refuge and hope.

Knowing that our country cannot be saved by our own works and mindful of how much our nation has departed from the ways of thy Son, we humbly ask that thou wouldst turn thine eyes upon our country to bring about its conversion.

We consecrate to thee the integrity of the upcoming election and its outcome, so that what is spiritually and morally best for the citizens of our country may be accomplished, and that all of those who are elected would govern according to the spiritual and moral principles which will bring our nation into conformity with the teachings of thy Son.

Give grace to the citizens of this land so that they will choose leaders according to the Sacred Heart of thy Son, that His glory may be made manifest, lest we be given the leaders we deserve. Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and thy maternal care, we have perfect confidence that thou wilt take care of us and will not leave us forsaken.

O Mary Immaculate, pray for us. Amen.

Join Fr. Timmerman for a pilgrimage through Italy!

Next year, from Feb 24th to Mar 7th, Father and his fellow pilgrims will visit Milan, Florence, and Rome over the course of 12 days. Together, they will view iconic works of renaissance artists, pray in some of our Catholic Faith's most revered Basilicas, and witness the Holy Father Pope during his Ash Wednesday procession through Rome!

Space is limited so please register at kingdomtours.us/Timmerman to reserve your spot today! Questions about the trip? Contact Kingdom Tours by calling 402-315-1435 or send an email to info@kingdomtour.us.

Marriage Encounter Experience "Finding a heart-to-heart exchange in our couple love". Held in Lincoln Feb 14-16. Call right away to reserve a place 402-370-5839

"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, in the Commons, you list the names of all those who have died who you want to pray for, 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. These will be collected through October. The names are put together as "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.

Church cleaning reminder: For Oct 12 (at 9:00am): Fregoso, Frye, Frye, Fuxa, Gallagher, Garbers, Gertsch, Gibson

Dinners for Priests, "Stewardship of Talent"
 Oct 7: Nicolette Kerns, Oct 8: Amy Kotera, Oct 14 Sandy Fischer, Oct 15: Jessette Berggren, Oct 21: Monica Yankus, Oct 22: Megan Hanneman

This week's featured Sister in our Diocese:
 From the Marian Sisters: Sr. Guadalupe, a Jr. Sister. **Featured Seminarian in our Diocese:**
 Jonathan Reeb, who entered seminary in 2024, now in the Propaedeutic Stage at St. Gregory the Great. Please pray for all our sisters in formation and seminarians – especially seminarian Adam Bohan from our parish.

The Legion of Mary is going to offer a "Do-It-Yourself Retreat", for women or men, in preparation for making or renewing a Marian consecration. We did this a few years ago and would like to do it again. Some of you may still have the book, and you can use it again this time. It is called "33 Days to Morning Glory" by Fr. Michael Gaitley, and it is based on what was promoted by St. Louis de Montfort. As it says, it takes 33 days to complete the consecration. If you would like to do the retreat as a group, we will start on Nov 5 so that it will end on Dec 8, feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Every week we will read about how one of our four giants of Marian consecration lived out his or her consecration to Jesus through Mary. The goal is to ponder their message in our hearts. If you want to know more about our Blessed Mother through four great saints, this would be a great opportunity. We will be selling the books for \$5.00 NEXT weekend – Oct 12/13. When December 8 comes around, we will really have something to celebrate! Any questions, ask them at their table! Or call Sherry LeBlanc, 321-3372.



The Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration

Some suggestions that came from the National Eucharistic Congress:

- Be open to encountering Christ in Mass, in prayer, and in worship.
- Rediscover "the sense of adoration in silence."
- Be open to encountering Christ in all people, especially in the least, the last, and the lost.
- Embrace Eucharistic Friendship with Jesus through weekly adoration or visits to the tabernacle.

Current open Adoration Hours at CHS:

- Sundays at 1am, 2am & 3am;
- Mondays at 2am;
- Wednesdays at Midnight & 3am, Noon & 10pm;
- Thursdays at Midnight & 2am;
- Saturdays at 1am, 2am, 3am & 4am

Substitutes are currently filling those hours each week, as every hour must be covered – one of the "rules" of being allowed to have Adoration with the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance. Would one of the above open hours work for you??? Maybe try it out a couple of times to see how it is! *(To do that, write your name by the open hour on the Adoration papers on the table in the Commons. It will be for a particular hour on a single particular date.)* Or... do you have questions about our Perpetual Adoration? Call Traci: 297-2295

Jubilate Youth Choir is now recruiting members!



What: Youth choir for students ages 2nd grade and up, for StJB students or homeschool/CCD students who are parishioners at CHS. (1st grade by invitation if they display the maturity needed to be successful in choir.)

“Jubilate” (yoo-bee-latte) means “joyful noise” in Latin.

When: The group will debut at the 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve, Dec 24. Then, beginning in January 2025, they will lead music at a designated Mass on the 4th weekend of the month - initially at the 10:30am Mass on Sun, Jan 26. Rehearsals will be once monthly, the Monday prior to the 4th Sunday, 3:30-4:30pm.

Why: To develop a love of sacred music and learn how to lead music reverently and joyfully at Mass. To learn simple 2-part harmony pieces and represent our parish and school in a positive way both at church and in our community.

Where: Practices will be held at StJB school in the music room, with Mass being held in the church.

To express interest and commitment to the Jubilate Youth Choir, please fill out the form that was sent home with St. John and CCD students, or that can be found in the Commons. Return by Monday, October 21 to Mrs. Clark, school office, or rectory. Mrs. Clark has led such choirs in the past at other parishes, and is excited to be offering this as an opportunity for our youth here! Rehearsals will begin Monday, October 21 in preparation for our debut on Christmas Eve at the 4pm Mass. Two additional rehearsals will be scheduled prior to Christmas as well.

Direct questions to Mrs. Hannah Clark, 3rd grade teacher, StJB School: hannah-clark@cdolinc.net

Dear Parishioners,

The theme for this year's Bishop's Appeal for Vocations (BAV) is "Stewards of the Mysteries of God." This comes from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. As a steward, Catholic priests have a great and humbling responsibility to guard and administer the Sacraments of Christ and His Church. I do say that as priests we have to guard them, because we are taking care of sacred things that ultimately do not belong to us. They belong to Christ.

For example, when a priest offers the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, he is not making it up as he goes along. Nor is he doing one thing this day and a completely different thing tomorrow. The Mass belongs to Jesus, because it is His eternal sacrifice to the Father. Every Catholic priest has been handed down a great gift of the liturgy (which literally means, "public worship"), and it is not his to craft into something of his own desire or taste, but rather a "mystery of God" to be cared for and respected as a living and breathing inheritance of Sacred Catholic Tradition, originating from the Son of God Himself.

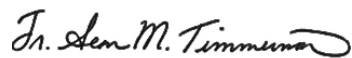
We need many more priests, because "the harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few" (Matt. 9:37). There is so much work to be done, not only in our diocese, but all over the world. We need more priests to bring the new life of God into our soul at Baptism, absolve us of our deadly sins, anoint us when we are gravely sick or dying, and bring us the "holy bread of eternal life" in Holy Communion. We need more priests to prepare couples for marriage, comfort the grieving, teach our children the faith, and dedicate his life to prayer for his people and the Church.

Our Diocese of Lincoln has traditionally been greatly blessed by God with vocations to the priesthood. When I entered the seminary in the Fall of 1996, I was one of 13 men to begin formation that year. At the time, we were one of the largest groups for Lincoln. In 2024, our small diocese of around 95,000 Catholics has been abundantly blessed with 17 new seminarians, and definitely one of the largest entrance classes in the history of the diocese. God is so good to us!

I am grateful for your support of this appeal when I was in the seminary. Your donations helped the diocese to fund my education, something I simply could not have done on my own. The overall goal for the BAV this year is \$791,700. Our goal as Church of the Holy Spirit parish is \$18,000, and I ask you to be generous for the future of our local church here. We may not think that we are personally in great need of a priest and his ministry at this moment, but there will come a day when we are getting ready to pass from this world to the next. We will want (and hopefully our family members will want it for us too if we are not able to ask – **tell them now if you are not sure!**) a priest for confession, anointing, Apostolic Pardon and Holy Viaticum. Everything that the Church has available to send us on our final journey to our Father God in heaven.

I think of my donation to BAV now as an investment for the future. Perhaps the seminarian today that benefits from our support now will be the priest who is present there to hear our confession, baptize your baby, or minister to you on your deathbed. Your generosity in support of new priests will echo literally in time and eternity! What a blessed opportunity that is for us all! Thank you for your generous support of the Appeal, and please offer a prayer of gratitude to God for the abundant gift of our seminarians, especially the new men that He has blessed us with this year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



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and talents,
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