

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2025

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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

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Monday, January 20

7:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Gene Ward+

8:10 a.m. The All Souls Day Intentions+

Tuesday, January 21

7:00 a.m. Living & deceased members of the Aylor family

8:10 a.m. Greg Sis+

Wednesday, January 22

7:00 a.m. Special intention for family of J.W.

8:10 a.m. Janet Pope+

Thursday, January 23

7:00 a.m. Dick Wassinger+

8:10 a.m. Josephine M. Warga+

Friday, January 24

7:00 a.m. Special intention for R.A.G.

8:10 a.m. Brenda Todd+

Saturday, January 25

8:00 a.m. Betsy Bender+

4:00 p.m. Fowler & Naomi Stevens+

Sunday, January 26 (3rd Sunday in OT)

8:00 a.m. Fred & Olive Hike+

10:30a.m. People of the Parish

Confessions:

Mondays & Fridays, 7:30 - 7:55am

Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:45pm

Sundays, 7:30-7:55am & 10:00-10:25am

Head Count last weekend: 585

Contributions for January 12, 2025

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| General Collection | \$ | 27,908.70 |
| Debt Reduction | \$ | 520.00 |
| Teachers/Staff | \$ | 90.00 |
| Utilities | \$ | 245.00 |
| Flowers | \$ | 300.00 |
| Combined Relief | \$ | 25.00 |
| Cloistered Nuns | \$ | 25.00 |

Dear Parishioners, Our parish has been blessed with a recent gift from one family of \$15,000 towards paying down our debt. This brings the total parish debt down to \$137,690. Of that, only \$22,690 remains for the *building* loan portion of our debt!!!, along with \$115,000 for *operational* loans needed in 2013 & 2015.

As I wrote in last week's bulletin, getting this far is fantastic! At the end of last September, the *building* portion of the debt stood at \$54,105. Thanks to dedicated parishioners who have been continually giving to pay down the debt, steady progress has continued to be made. Then with this large one-time extra donation, it became apparent that the end of our *building* debt is quite within reach! Let's keep up the good work! I think it would be wonderful if in four weeks' time we could match or surpass that gift of \$15,000 with more extra gifts from parishioners. Do you think that by day's end on February 9th, with the steady plus the extra effort, we could maybe even finish off the remaining \$22,690 building debt portion??? What a good milestone to have accomplished! If you would like your donation to go towards the debt, just indicate so with your envelope or on your check.

And if we happen to surpass the \$22,690, we'll get going on the *operational* portion of our debt!
 -Fr. Timmerman

Youth Group We're trying a new time and location for our meeting THIS Sunday, January 19th. Please join us in the rectory from 9:00am until 10:15am. Breakfast provided!

Bible Study Would you like to get ready to enrich your Lent? (Yes, Lent is on the horizon!) Sign up in the Commons after the Masses through this weekend, Jan 18/19, for a 6-week Bible Study on St. Paul's letter to the Philippians, written toward the end of his life, under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome. Classes are Wednesdays at 10am or Thursdays at 7pm, beginning February 19th.

Catholic Men:
SAVE THE DATE
 And Register



Register Here



The Catholic Men's Leadership Summit is on February 22, 2025, at 3 locations across the Diocese of Lincoln. Registration is FREE, so register now. At the summit, you will learn how to become an effective leader in your personal life, in your role as a leader of your household, in your parish, and in the community around your parish. You will also learn how to form or join your team of brothers who will accompany you your mission as a Catholic man. There is more information on the registration site. Go to <https://bit.ly/CatholicMan> or scan the QR Code for registration and more details. There is also telephone and email contact information on the registration page if you have any further questions.

Register before February 1st to be guaranteed breakfast and lunch.

Marriage Encounter Experience

Finding a heart-to-heart exchange. Feb. 14-16 Lincoln. To register or for more info, contact Gary & Brenda, 402-370-5839.

Pro-Life Mass and Nebraska Walk For Life

The Nebraska Catholic Conference invites you to join Catholics from across the state on Saturday, February 1 for the annual Pro-Life Mass and Nebraska Walk for Life in Lincoln. The day begins with Mass at St. Mary's Church downtown at 9am. Following the Mass, the annual Nebraska Walk for Life, sponsored by Nebraska Right to Life, will start at 10am. Please meet near the steps north of the Nebraska State Capitol. A new route this year will take us to the Cornhusker Hotel where you can browse informational booths and hear speaker Elizabeth Gillette's keynote speech at 11:30am. Questions? Contact Nebraska Right to Life: 402-438-4802 or at nebraskartl@gmail.com.

Our Parish Council of Catholic Women

(PCCW) (which automatically includes all adult parish women), is collecting 2025 dues, \$10, during January. PCCW dues plus any other funds that they raise, primarily go to costs associated with the Mass: candles, missals, hosts, etc. See us in the Commons during January or drop it in the collection basket. And be sure to sign up for the FREE raffle at the table in the Commons!

NCBC The National Catholic Bioethics Center helps navigate ethical issues surrounding health care, end-of-life care, and more. They offer [Free Personal Ethics Consultations](#), which help patients and their families understand and apply Church teaching to the difficult medical situations they face. Their ethicists are available 24/7 by phone and email, and this service is free of charge.

This could have a significant impact on the lives of family members who do not know if they should withdraw treatment from their loved ones at the end of life, health care workers who are unsure about participating in certain job-related activities, and couples who are seeking guidance on the Church's teaching on reproductive medicine, etc.

Dinners for Priests, "Stewardship of Talent"

Jan 20: Patti Coleman, Jan 21: Sandy DiSomma, Jan 27: Nicolette Kerns, Jan 28: Bill Boyle, Feb 3: Sandy Fischer, Feb 4: Amy Kotera

Church cleaning reminder: For Jan 25 (at 9:00am): Montgomery, Montgomery, Morley, Moser, Murdoch, Murray, Myrtue, Navrkal

Do you have medical training?

Father Timmerman would like to develop a (confidential) list of parishioners who might be able to help in the case of a medical emergency at Mass. If you are a First Responder, doctor, nurse, PA, NP, CNA, or otherwise have medical training that could help in an emergency, and would be willing to be on his list, please contact the rectory office, 296-3139. Thank you!

Some upcoming dates:

January 19 – Youth Group breakfast meeting, rectory
January 19 – Knights' free-will donation breakfast, gym after Masses
February 1 – Nebraska Walk for Life, 10:00am, Lincoln
February 19 & 20 – Bible Classes begin

One Rose, One Life This weekend the Knights of Columbus will conduct their annual "One Rose One Life" campaign, to support pro-life activities in Nebraska. This campaign is the main source of income for the Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Foundation. The major beneficiary of these funds is the Bishop's Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, as well as placing Ultrasounds in crisis pregnancy centers throughout Nebraska. Other worthwhile organizations that we provide with funding include: Right-to-Life and local Birthright chapters, crisis pregnancy help centers, the Pope Paul VI Institute as well as providing funds for March for Life pilgrims. After Mass, Knights will be handing out cards with a prayer to end abortions. Please read the prayer. Attached to this bulletin is our envelope, please use the envelope and bring your donation and place in the collection basket next weekend (25/26 January). Additionally, all proceeds from our breakfast's free-will donation on the 19th of January will go to this outstanding effort. Finally, please continue to pray for the end to abortion.

Knights of Columbus – Council 1966 / Steve Riese GK (402)298-8264 / www.KofC1966.org

January Planning Meeting - Thursday, Jan 23rd, at 7:00pm in SJR.

January Breakfast - Join us next Sunday, Jan 19th after the 8:00am and 10:30am Masses. Biscuits and Gravy, Eggs, Fruit, and Coffee. Free-will donations support the One Rose One Life campaign and our pro-life activities.

Nebraska Walk for Life - The annual pro-life rally and walk will begin Saturday morning, Feb. 1st, at 10:00 at the Capitol Building in Lincoln. Here in Plattsmouth, we'll start with Mass at 8:00 at CHS and then convoy to Lincoln. After the rally, the Walk will take us to the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel where we will hear from speaker Elizabeth Gillette on how love can conquer abortion. Dress warmly! Optional lunch before returning home.

February Parish Rosary - Wednesday, Feb. 12th, at 6:30pm in the church. This is a family-friendly event led by Knights and open to all.

February Men's Faith Development and General Meeting – Wednesday, Feb. 12th, at 7:00pm.

Essential Pregnancy Services sent a nice Thank You note commenting on the generosity of our parish in supporting the Baby Bottle drive. Funds raised, \$2,998, support free services including pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, professional counseling, material resources, educational opportunities, and more!

The Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration



Perhaps no one has spoken or written so insistently on the Holy Eucharist as St. Peter Julian Eymard. The Eucharistic approach to the problems of the soul is his distinctive spirituality. He looked upon an hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament as an hour in Paradise! "Go to your adoration as one would to heaven!" His great ambition was to lead souls to the Blessed Sacrament.

-Hidden Treasure, the Riches of the Eucharist by Louis Kaczmarek

Are you ready to have a scheduled, regular time of prayer, and in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament!?!?! Do you have questions about our Perpetual Adoration? Call Traci: 297-2295

Current open Adoration Hours at CHS:

Sundays at 1am, 2am & 3am; Mondays at 11am; Tuesdays at Midnight; Thursdays at Midnight & 2am; Saturdays at 3am, & 4am

A generous donor has recently established “The Holy Spirit Fund” to support our parish's ongoing operations. This fund is unique in the following ways:

- The Holy Spirit Fund earns a market rate of return like the school endowment, but is liquid like our bank account.
- The Holy Spirit Fund is actively invested to ensure an attractive market rate of return.
- The Holy Spirit Fund investments are screened to ensure adherence to Catholic moral teaching.
- The Holy Spirit Fund is liquid, and our parish has immediate access to the funds.
- The Holy Spirit Fund can accept gifts of cash or more strategic tax-advantaged gifts of non-cash assets such as:


- § QCDs (RMDs) from Traditional IRAs
- § Appreciated Stock
- § Life Insurance Policies (Cash Value or Death Benefit)
- § Real Estate
- § Depreciated Business or Farm Equipment
- § Grain & Other Agricultural Products
- § Remainder Amounts from Investment, Retirement, or Bank Accounts
- § Annuity Payments or Remainder Amounts
- § Royalties
- § Other Marketable Assets

- The Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska can arrange to appraise, liquidate, and pass 100% of the proceeds of the gifts mentioned above into The Holy Spirit Fund and will do so at no charge.

The graphic below, “Gifts of Grain”, works not only for farmers and grain, but for any strategic tax-advantaged gifts of non-cash assets that are listed above in the bullet points.

The Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska works in the best interest and benefit of the donors and the charities they wish to support. Please remember the ongoing and long-range needs which exist here at our parish. Contact Chris Raun or Scott Yates at 402-488-2142 for free advice to all Catholics in our Diocese.


Gifts of Grain




For God is the One who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, He will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.


2 Corinthians 9:10-11

1000 Bushels of Corn @ \$3.50/Bushel = \$3,500

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