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FARWELL, NE 68838
MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

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EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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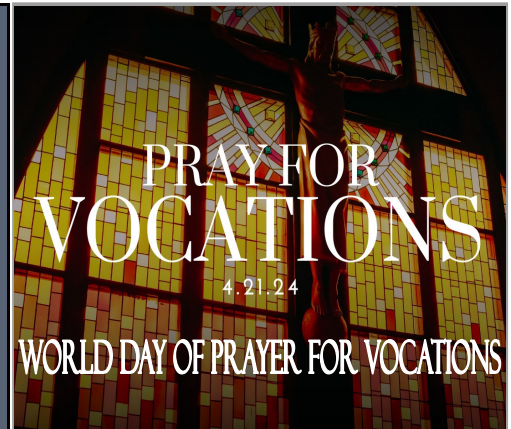


FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

PICTURED ABOVE

FRONT: Jace Valasek, Rylan Olsen, Beckett Seaman, Alexander Johnson, Eli Hernandez, Jaden Haag, Madisyn Bockmann, Brody Headrick
MIDDLE: Kye Johansen, Grayson Pritchard, Petyon Reilly, Lenna Poss, Aria Sydzyk, Isabella Hernandez, Hadley Bauer, Wyler Kroeger
BACK: Liv Anderson, Caroline Bernt, Hallie Bauder, Boston Bowder, Olivia Yutesler, Roslyn Tomlinson, Reed Coufal, Avery Blauhorn, Manuel Montanez, Brogan Grabowski

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NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

**Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B
April 21, 2024**

With certainty, Jesus said: "I am the GOOD SHEPHERD. I know my sheep... they listen to my voice... I will lay down my life for them..."

Those words of the compassionate Lord are expressions of love that leads him to the cross of sacrifice and life. There on the cross, he fulfilled what he said, and he died for you and me because of his unconditional love. Hence, it is inevitable that we should cling to the GOOD SHEPHERD. His heart is our sanctuary where fear cannot snatch us, where evil cannot tempt us, and where violence cannot hurt us.

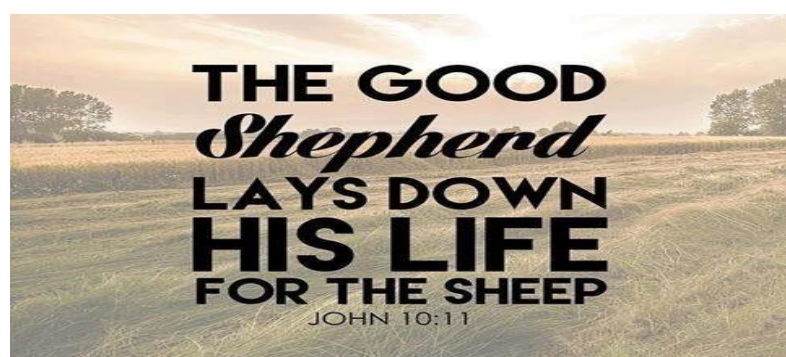
Jesus said, "I know my sheep..." These words uncover to us how close he is with us. Those words make known to us that our names are written not only on his palms but in his heart as well. He keeps us "aware that our true house is not the house of fear, in which the powers of hatred and violence rule, but the house of love, where God resides."

The words of Jesus: "they listen to my voice..." confirm of his trust in us. "The word of God has to anchor itself in the center of our being." We should then "develop an inner ear that allows us to recognize God's word as one that speaks directly to the intimate core of our experience."

"I will lay down my life for them..." assures Jesus. "In a confused and dislocated world, bereft of meaning, God is a trustworthy companion..." He is there waiting for us; he is ready to offer his life; ready to die for us. He is truly a "life-giver."

So, be sure that your name is written on his palms, spelled correctly with the righteousness of your character. This week let us emulate the values of the GOOD SHEPHERD, listen to his words and ready to lay down our life for our friends. BE GOOD and BE A LIFE-GIVER!

Jr. Vincent L. Parsons



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	4/22	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	4/23	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Jerry & Barb Sack
Wednesday	4/24	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † Colleen Killinger By Larry & Gabby Murphy
Thursday	4/25	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † Jan Derner By Jerry & Barb Sack
Friday	4/26	9:00am Service (Brookfield) † Leo Stenka By Betty Ambrose
Saturday	4/27	5:00 pm Mass (SPP) People of the Parishes
Sunday	4/28	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Kathy & Leonard Dubas
		10:00 am Mass (SPP) For all who suffer terminal illnesses



MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL 27TH & 28TH

May God Bless you & strengthen your faith through this ministry. Amen

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

SACRISTAN: Michael Happ / Kevin & Cindy Sestak / Julie Baquet
GREETERS: Jack Steffes / Shelly Johns / Troy & Hunter Johnson
LECTOR: Alan Lewandowski
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Nancy Psota / Virginia Schenck
SERVERS: Volunteer

SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik
GREETERS: Brenda Klanecky / John & Sandi Mudloff
LECTOR: Dianne Rice
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Lisa Jerabek / Mary Gappa
SERVERS: Reagan Grabowski / Volunteer

SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet
GREETERS: Don & Becky Knox / Kevin & Laura Pedersen Family
LECTOR: Chris Elstermeier
EM: Chris, Gina, & Emma Elstermeier
SERVERS: Brennen Shreve / Eli Thomas / Tristan Thomas

TRI-PARISH YOUTH Religious Education

Preschool - 4th Grades: **Sundays 9-10am**
 5th - 11th Grades: **Wednesdays 7-8pm**
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center Classrooms
 DREs ~ Becky Knox 308-571-0430 & Judi Baker 308-750-8418

Thank You Lord for a great year of Religious Ed.!

Graduation Mass ~ Sunday, April 28th, 10am
 Graduates please be 15 min early & wear cap & gown.
 Light refreshments to follow at Parish Life Center!

Confirmation ~ Wednesday, May 8th 7pm Mass
 Candidates please plan to be at Church by 6pm that evening.
 Dessert reception to follow at Parish Life Center!

Congratulations on your BAPTISM
Zoey Kay Hake
 Daughter of Bryan & Whitney Hake
April 13, 2024
 Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



GOD Bless + THIS Child
BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT
 SUNDAY, APRIL 21
 Following 10am Mass
Von Michael
 Son of Levi & Hannah Walch

TOTUS TUUS CATECHETICAL PROGRAM
 COMING TO OUR TRI-PARISH THIS SUMMER
JULY 28TH - AUGUST 2ND
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE OR SCAN QR CODE →
 REGISTER 3 WEEKS PRIOR TO GET A FREE T-SHIRT!



Grand Island Deanery of DCCW
Scholarship Awarded to: Gracie Kelley
Scholarship Alternate: Abigail Hirschman

Please get your dishes & pans... thank you for bringing salads & desserts for the recent funeral dinners, remember to grab your dishes from the Kitchen!

Bulletin Folders Needed
 Please consider helping fold bulletins on Fridays at 11:30am in Quilting Room

KNIGHTS Council 1918 next Meeting:
OF COLUMBUS Tuesday, May 14, 7:00 PM
at SPP Parish Center NW classroom
 OUR MISSION: Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, & in their community.

Celebration of Christian Marriage
April 20, 2024
Sts. Peter & Paul
Parker & Kenzie Klingensmith




God Bless You
AS YOU SERVE THE LORD
 THROUGH *Teaching*

Heartfelt Thanks to our Religious Education Teachers! You are on the forefront of God's work & truly inspiring! May the Good Lord smile upon you! Sincerely,
 Becky Knox & Judi Baker


FISH FOR SALE
10# box Pollock Fish - \$25/box, stop by SPP office or contact Sandi Mudloff 308-750-6439 to purchase.

Tuesday, APRIL 23, 2024
at 4:30pm or at 6:30pm
St. Mary's Cathedral Square

Learn how your parish can get started with this wonderful initiative; hear from the Director of Collage, the Pregnancy Help Organization in Kearney & Grand Island; and tour the new "Mary's Cradle" facility at St. Mary's Cathedral Square. The hope is to help vulnerable women find support in welcoming and caring for their children.



(308)382-6565 or frontdesk@gidiocese.org
 RSVP Date: April 18 (Requested, but not required)




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Spring Meeting Grand Island Deanery DCCW
 April 26, 2024 at St. Mary's Church - Wood River, NE
 8:30am Registration, 9:00am Business Meeting
 10:00am Speaker Vince Hernandez (avoiding scams)
 11:00am Mass & 12:00pm Lunch - Cost is \$10 per person

Spirit Catholic Radio 2-Day Symposium
 April 26-27, 2024 at St. Robert Bellarmine in Omaha
THE EUCHARIST: The Source and Summit of our Faith
 Visit spiritcatholicradio.com/april for information & registration

NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage
 Rooted in daily celebrations of the Mass & modeled after the Gospel account of Jesus' journey to Emmaus two millennia ago, the National Eucharist Procession will kick off May 17-19, 2024, during the Feast of Pentecost. The Serra route travels through the Grand Island Diocese beginning in Kimball, June 12, 2024. Be a part of this historic event.
 Find out more @ <https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/>



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival
Jesus Is Calling Us Deeper HE PROMISES TO RESTORE AND RENEW HIS PEOPLE
 Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.
 Visit: eucharisticrevival.org & gidiocese.org/eucharist-revival



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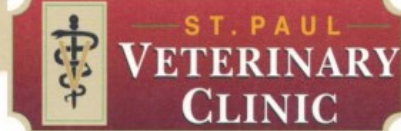
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Catholic Relief - \$15.00 | Good Friday - \$4

Parish Life Center - \$150.00 | Maint. - \$100

Restoring Our Father's House - \$ 6,420.00

St. Anthony

General Fund - \$297.41.00

St. Joseph

General Fund - \$180.00

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Elba - Betty Poss: 308-750-0512

Pray without ceasing 1 Thessalonian 5:17