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FEBRUARY 12, 2023
**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

*“Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away,
not the smallest letter or the
smallest part of a letter will pass from the law.”*

MATTHEW 5:18



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SATURDAY MASS 5:00PM
SUNDAY MASS 8:00AM & 10:00AM

† ST. ANTHONY

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

† ST. JOSEPH

1803 HIGHWAY 11
ELBA, NE 68835
MASS 3RD SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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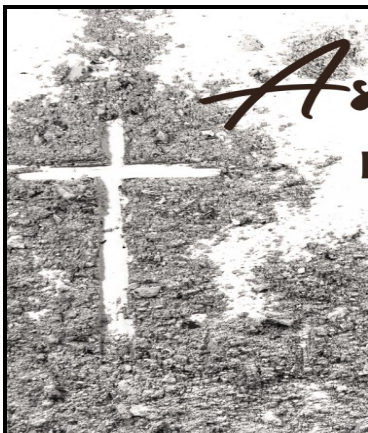
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Ash Wednesday
February 22, 2023
MASS TIMES
7:00 AM
12:05 PM & 7:00 PM
STS. PETER & PAUL

*Submit a
Prayer
Request*
Prayer Chain

St. Paul - Dianne Rice: 308-571-0039
St. Paul - Ann Rief: 308-380-0619
Farwell-Michelle Woitalewicz: 308-336-3241
Farwell - Thereasa Nealon: 308-336-3349
Elba - Betty Poss: 308-750-0512

“Pray without ceasing” 1 Thessalonian 5:17

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 12, 2023

Note from our Pastor

At a General Audience in the Vatican Square, Pope Francis said the following:

"Man of every time and place desires a full and beautiful life, just and good, a life that is not threatened by death, but can still mature and grow to fullness. Man is like a traveler who, crossing the deserts of life, thirsts for living water: gushing and fresh, capable of quenching his deep desire for light, love, beauty and peace."

We all feel this desire! And Jesus gives us this living water: he is the Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the father and whom Jesus pours out into our hearts. Jesus tells us "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." (John 10:10)

What desires do you have on your heart today? Ask God to fulfill them in his way.

In a few weeks' time, at the Chrism Mass of the diocese, fresh sacramental oils will be blessed and chrism consecrated for use in every parish. Olive oil is the main ingredient of chrism, but olive oil with some exotic additives that change its character and purpose. Rich balsam and perfumes separate chrism from the pantry. Food no longer, neither is this oil for grooming or toning muscles. It has a breathtaking aroma that is both alluring and enduring.

The prayer of consecration is a good meditation for the coming Lenten season since it focuses us on the goal of our journey, linking it with the olive-bearing dove at the end of Noah's stormy voyage of forty days. The dove signaled the birth of a new world, a society reborn from the wreckage of the old, drowned world of sin. At the end of our Lenten journey, the oil of chrism will be poured down in abundance on the brows of catechumens and infants, as well as on those to be confirmed or ordained. Lent puts us in touch with the hard edges of life in need of salvation, and the chrism of Easter joy redeems and restores.

Fr. Vincent L. Parsons

EUCHRISTIC REVIVAL At the Last Supper, celebrating the Passover, Jesus makes explicit that his impending death, freely embraced out of love, is sacrificial: While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins" (Mt 26:27-28). In the words and gestures of the Last Supper, Jesus makes it clear that out of love for us he is freely offering his life for the forgiveness of our sins. In doing so, he is both the priest offering a sacrifice and the victim being offered. As priest, Jesus is offering a sacrifice to God the Father, an offering prefigured by the offering of bread and wine by Melchizedek, Priest of God Most High (Gen 14: 18; see Ps 110:4; Heb 5-7 *passim*). Anticipating his Passion in the institution of the Eucharist, Christ has indicated the forms under which his self-offering would be sacramentally present to us until the end of time. (USCCB The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church #13) **eucharisticrevival.org**
Revival is in the Air. Join us June 10, 2023, for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. Info/registration found at gidiocese.org/eucharistic-revival

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 13th - 19th

Monday	2/13	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	2/14	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † LaVern Gawrych & † Jerome Gawrych By Linda Gawrych
Wednesday	2/15	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † Kenneth Kuta By Sister Paulette
Thursday	2/16	8:30 am Daily Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Kathryn Dubas, † Matt Parsons By Family
Friday	2/17	9:00 Daily Mass (Matelyn) † Victor Goerl By CCW
Saturday	2/18	5:00 pm Mass (SPP) † Joseph & † Victoria Radke By Shirley Hanisch & Family 6:30 pm Mass (SJ) † Kenny Wilson By Cameron & Stacy Hoppes & Family
Sunday	2/19	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † LaFern Mudloff By Pete Koperski & Dolores McDonnelle 10:00 am Mass (SPP) † Francis Mrkvicka By Family, People of the Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 18th & 19th

SACRISTANS

Saturday - 5pm: Michael Happ / Julie Baquet

Sunday - 8am: Mike Pittman / Ken Vincik

Sunday - 10am: Russ Kosmicki / Deacon Neil Baquet

GREETERS

Sat - 5pm: Matt & Becky Mottl Family

Sun - 8am: Denny & Kathy Hahn

Sun - 10am: 6th Grade Students

LECTOR

Sat - 5pm: Lane Mottl

Sun - 8am: Ken Hirschman

Sun - 10am: 6th Grade Students/ Julie Gawrych

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Connie Becker/ Beth Svoboda/ Angie Brennan / Volunteer

Sun - 10am: Joe & Paulette Hansen / Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Braxton Brennan / Volunteer

Sun - 10am: Tyler Brandt / Volunteer



CLASS TIMES:

Preschool to 4th Grade ~ **Sundays, 9:00 -10:00 am**

5th to 11th Grade ~ **Wednesdays, at 7:00 - 8:00 pm**

Classes at the Parish Life Center Classrooms (Grade is on Door)

Watch the bulletin WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

for when it's your grade's turn to help at 10am Mass!

DREs~ Becky Knox at 308-571-0430 & Judi Baker at 308-750-8418

Early Bird Special
Through 2-15 = \$225

WH 1: May 27 - June 1
WH 2: June 3 - June 8

www.HigherGroundRetreats.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES Sign up!

Please help fill in ASH WEDNESDAY sign up sheets!
Especially need Altar Servers & Eucharistic Ministers.

2023 PRO-LIFE ESSAY CONTEST

7-11 Grade Students, 300-400 words, due by March 25, 2023

Get information at class or in the back of Church.

Interesting topics & Prizes 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$30, & 3rd - \$20

Busy-Time Women's
Holy Hour

**FAITH & COMMUNITY
AMONGST THE CHAOS**
MONDAYS AT 7PM ALL ARE WELCOME
STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

CCW News It is time to pay \$10 CCW 2023 annual dues. All females of Parish over 18 are members of CCW.

CCW Spring Basket Bonanza

Please assemble a Spring Basket and bring it to the PLC
Conference/Sewing Room by February 26.

Drawing for winners will be on Easter Sunday!

(Please be sure baskets are marked with
contents, value, & donor names.) Thank you!



Young at Heart POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Tuesday February 14, 12-1pm SPP PLC

We will be having soup, please bring a dish to share.



Meeting: Tuesday, February 14, 7:00 PM

SPP Parish Center NW classroom

The Knights of Columbus council 1918 has donated in 2022 to the following organizations: Spirit Radio, UNK Newman Center, Seminary Support, School Scholarships, Knights of Columbus Charities (Ukrainians), Wellspring Pregnancy Center - Hastings, NE, ARK Center of Nebraska. Also, a rose is donated for each newborn baby at Howard County Hospital.

CATHOLICS ENCOUNTER CHRIST

Grand Island Diocese

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FOR SOMETHING TO HELP
YOU GROW IN YOUR FAITH?

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TO REVITALIZE
YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE?

ARE YOU *seeking*
A WAY TO STRENGTHEN YOUR
RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST?

WOMEN'S WEEKEND: MARCH 3-5, 2023

MEN'S WEEKEND: MARCH 24-26, 2023

Register at www.gidiocese.org today!

**HAPPY
Birthday!**
**FATHER VINCE
FEBRUARY 26**
CARD SHOWER
BASKET IN BACK OF CHURCH
ORGANIZED BY CCW

*If you or a loved would like a Clergy visit or communion while
in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.*

Eucharistic Holy Hour with Bishop Hanefeldt will be Sunday,
February 19th, at Holy Cross in Bassett at 2pm. Join in person or
pray in your Parish for renewal of faith in our diocese.

Sponsored & coordinated by
WOMEN AT THE WELL

**LENT
ENCOUNTER**
WITH SPECIAL GUEST
ALICIA HERNON
Sunday, February 26 at
Sts Peter and Paul

5:30 Confession | Adoration
6:30 Social in Parish Life Center

7:00 Speaker

Join us for an Lent Encounter with virtual guest speaker, Alicia Hernon
from the Messy Family Project.

Please pray for the married couples attending
Retrouvaille this Weekend, and also for Father Vince and others
that are helping with this important ministry.



Presents the Lenten Series:

**March 1st- Fr. Vince Parsons on
Practical Ways To Hear God's Call**

Anyone 21+

**Wednesdays
from 7-8**

**Loup River
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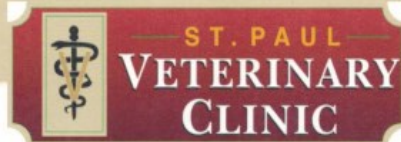
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Wed. & Thurs. - 11-6 Fri. 11-5 Saturday: 10-2

Please submit **BULLETIN** items via e-mail or call the church office by **Noon on MONDAY this week**
office@howardcountycatholics.com

DIOCESAN APPEAL Incentive Parishes that meet their dollar AND donor goal by March 31, 2023 will be eligible to be in a drawing to receive up to \$2,500. One Parish drawn in April.

2022-23 DIOCESAN APPEAL	SPP	SA	SJ
Parish Goal	\$28,245	\$3,362	\$1,568
Total Raised	\$17,405	\$2,140	\$252
Donor Goal	90	14	8
# of Donors	69	10	3

LORD'S PORTION

Sts. Peter and Paul

General Fund - \$3,485.40

Parish Center - \$355.00

Maintenance - \$0.00

St. Anthony

General Fund - \$1,297.00

Heat - \$150.00

St. Joseph

General Fund - \$255.00

WEEK AT A GLANCE

February

Monday 13

Tuesday 14

Wednesday 15

13TH - 19TH



NO Daily Mass

Busy Time Women's Holy Hour

7pm SPP

BULLETIN items in by **Noon**

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Young at Heart Luncheon
12-1pm SPP, Parish Life Center



KNIGHTS Meeting 7pm
OF COLUMBUS SPP, PLC

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Religious Ed. Classes ~
Grades 5th to 11th 7-8pm PLC

Thursday 16

Friday 17

Saturday 18

Sunday 19

Daily Mass
8:30am (SPP)

Daily Mass
9:00am
(Matelyn)

Reconciliation 4:30pm (SPP)
Mass 5:00 pm (SPP)

Mass 8:00am & 10:00am (SPP)

6th Grade helping with 10am Mass

Religious Ed. Classes ~
Preschool - 4th Grade 9-10am PLC

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