

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 21, 2024

JESUS SAID TO THEM,
"FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL
MAKE YOU BECOME
FISHERS OF MEN."

MARK 1:17



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SUNDAY MASS 8:00AM & 10:00AM

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MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

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MASS 3RD SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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Sanctity of
HUMAN LIFE
Sunday

Restoring
OUR FATHER'S
House

PROGRESS
report

Sts. Peter & Paul Church
Restoration project ...

January - Church bathrooms remodel
(one at a time, so to have continuous access)

Following 10am Mass
on February 3rd, necessities will be
moved over to the Parish Hall.
The tables will need to be taken
down & chairs set up for Masses
to be there in February & March.

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B January 21, 2024

“In our present social context, marked by a dramatic struggle between the ‘culture of life’ and the ‘culture of death’, there is need to develop a deep critical sense, capable of discerning true values and authentic needs. What is urgently called for is a general mobilization of consciences and a united ethical effort to activate a great campaign in support of life. All together, we must build a new culture of life.”

-Pope Saint John Paul II
Evangelium vitae (1995)

Tomorrow marks the anniversary of Roe versus Wade decision by the Supreme Court in 1978. Even though that decision has been reversed, we need to remember the above words of Saint John Paul II.

Of course, to be truly pro-life, we must also care about the way we treat all human beings. We can have anti-abortion bumper stickers all over our car, and wear pro-life T-shirts, and even march in rallies, but if we aren’t treating ALL human beings with kindness, love, and respect, then we still have a long way to go. Last summer, I was cut off in traffic over on Highway 281 by a woman talking on a cell phone, driving a minivan with a pro-life bumper sticker, who merged right in front of me without even glancing at where she was going. As you can imagine, I was not a happy camper. I was even more saddened by that bumper sticker, as I wondered how many other people had been “witnessed” to, by both the bumper sticker and the lady’s driving habits. We can’t be pro-life some of the time and NOT pro-life at other times. All of us need to be working towards a consistent pro-life ethic that permeates every aspect of our lives – even when we have a steering wheel in our hands. And yeah, I’m preaching to me here too. I admit it. We can all be better.

Jr. Vincent L. Parsons



Eternal Life We pray for the repose of the soul of Anna Parsons Dedic, Fr. Vince’s sister, who passed suddenly Monday, January 15, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial will be this coming week in Auburn, Nebraska.
Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	1/22	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	1/23	NO Daily Mass (SPP)
Wednesday	1/24	NO Daily Mass (SPP) (funeral in Elba)
Thursday	1/25	8:30 am Daily Mass (SPP) Ken Boysen By Tom & Pat Knutson
Friday	1/26	9:00 am Daily Mass (Brookfield) † Jan Derner By Jerry & Barb Sack
Saturday	1/27	4:30 pm Reconciliation (SPP) 5:00 pm Mass (SPP) People of the Parishes
Sunday	1/28	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † Stanley Urbanovsky By Shirley Hanisch 10:00 am Mass (SPP) † LaFern Mudloff By Mike & Yvonne Werner



MINISTRY SCHEDULE JANUARY 27TH–28TH

NOTE: New format to Ministry Schedule, please look closely.

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

SACRISTAN: Michael Happ / Julie Baquet
GREETERS: Meagan & Curt Dubas / Jen & Sierra Meinecke
LECTOR: Kathy Hahn
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: Joe & Paulette Hansen
SERVERS: Paisley Call / Tristan Thomas

SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik
GREETERS: Jan Wernhoff / Matt & Rebecca Mottl Family
LECTOR: Al Wernhoff
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS: Crissy Bader / Lisa Jerabek
SERVERS: Hayes Mottl / Reid Olsen

SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet
GREETERS: 8th Grade Religious Ed. Students
LECTOR: 8th Grade Religious Ed. Students
EM: Chris Townsend/ Amy Brandt/ Nikki Bader/ Martene Kosmicki
SERVERS: Lauren Brandt / Tyler Brandt

 **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
Each Class will have a turn helping with Mass...
please watch the Ministry Schedule in the Bulletin for when it will be your turn! Your service is valuable!

Faith-Filled Summer Youth Camps:

Higher Ground Extreme Faith Middle School, Higher Ground - High School, & Steubenville of the Rockies

Registration opens **February 1, 2024**
register by February 15 to get Early Bird discount!
 Visit <https://www.gdiocese.org/youth-events>
 for camp dates & information.

THEOLOGY ON TAP *Lenten Series*

Wednesday - February 21 at 7pm

Fr. Vijumon Choorackal ~ Fr. V's Vocation Journey

Loup River Distilling 503 Howard Ave. St. Paul, NE
(in the back room)

2024 PRO-LIFE YOUTH ART CONTEST deadline February 21

Information / requirements are available at the back of Church & at Religious Ed. classrooms. Top 3 from each grade can be submitted. Diocesan cash prizes for 1st to 3rd place for each grade level.



PLEASE PLAN TO HELP OUT-

Fish Fry Fridays: February 16th,
 March 1st & March 15th **At SPP**

Eternal Life We pray for Mary Ann Dzingle, who passed away January 14, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial will be January 24, 2024 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Elba. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

CCW All ladies of Parish over 18 are CCW members!
Please put your \$10 - 2024 annual dues in a marked envelope in the collection or drop by the Church office.

Please get your dishes & pans...

... thank you for bringing salads & desserts, please collect your dishes at the Parish Life Center Kitchen!

 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Weekends of **January 20th & 27th** will be **"One Rose, One Life" Campaign**

All donations stay in Nebraska to help with pro-life activities. If you don't have a check ready for today's collection there are envelopes in the pews to take home & put in the collection next week. Please continue to pray for the end to abortion & a respect for life. Sponsored by: Council #1918 St. Paul, NE & Nebraska State Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Foundation.

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Vegas Night

WITH PRIME RIB DINNER

SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024
6PM-SOCIAL HOUR | 7PM-PRIME RIB DINNER | 8PM-VEGAS NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

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 \$300 RESERVED TABLE - MEAL & PLAYING CHIPS FOR 6 OR
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MUST PURCHASE TICKETS PRIOR TO EVENT
CASH BAR (NOT INCLUDED WITH MEAL)

Tickets also available at the Church Office 308-754-4002

Pro-Life Holy Hour Led by Bishop Hanefeldt - January 22 at St. Mary's Cathedral, Grand Island
 Please join the Bishop, **6:30PM-7:00PM**. All are welcome.

Soup Supper & Bake Sale ~ January 24 5-7pm
Baked Goods, Crafts, & Silent Auction
 United Methodist Church 1320 Baxter St, St. Paul, NE
 Freewill offering, for take out call 308-754-4247

"You Are My Servant Whom I Uphold" (Isiah 42:1) sponsored by Saint Benedict Center January 26-28
 Visit: <https://christthekingpriory.com/retreats-schedule>

Bishop Hanefeldt to hold Synodal Listening Sessions
 Following upon the October 2023 gathering for the Synod in Rome, Bishop Hanefeldt has scheduled two listening sessions and is inviting all Catholics, including those who may be inactive in the practice of the faith, to attend and share their perspective. Listening sessions will be held on **Tuesday, January 30**, from 7:00-8:30pm at Christ the King Church in Gering, and on **Tuesday, February 6**, from 7:00-8:30PM at Resurrection Church in Grand Island. Please join us if your schedule permits.



NEBRASKA WEEKEND FEBRUARY 16-18
 REGISTER EARLY - LIMITED SPACE

Healing Your Marriage--Retrouvaille (French for "Rediscovery") is a 3-phase program designed to re-store your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship.

The next program in Nebraska begins with a weekend stay, February 16-18, 2024 at St. Benedict's Center in Schuyler. For more information &/or to register call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the website at HelpOurMarriage.com

Are you searching for something more? Come, encounter Christ! CATHOLICS ENCOUNTER CHRIST is a structured 3-day weekend beginning on Friday evening and concluding on Sunday evening at Camp Comeca in Cozad. During this weekend, you will experience how God's grace works in you and how you can share this grace with others. Catholics Encounter Christ weekends are March 8-10 (Women's) and March 22-24 (Men's). Scan QR code to register or visit gdiocese.org to register!



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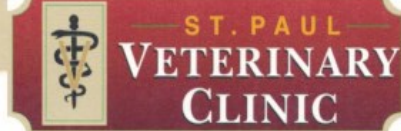
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Pray without ceasing 1 Thessalonian 5:17