

MARCH 12, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF Lent

"Whoever drinks the water
I shall give will never thirst;
the water I shall give will
become in him a spring of
water welling up to eternal life."

John 4:14



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EACH MONTH 7:00PM

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EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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Sunday
March 19, 2023
Sts. Peter & Paul
8:00am - 3:00pm
Please pray for Students & Leaders.

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Prayer Request
Prayer Chain

St. Paul - Dianne Rice: 308-571-0039
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Farwell - Thereasa Nealon: 308-336-3349
Elba - Betty Poss: 308-750-0512

Pray without ceasing 1 Thessalonian 5:17

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

The gospel story tells us that Jesus was tired from a journey, and he rested near a well. A woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "GIVE ME A DRINK." Water quenches our thirst, it gives us life. And Jesus is the WATER OF LIFE!

"LORD, GIVE ME A DRINK!" Two commercials that I enjoyed best, they are: "COKE is the real thing!" and "PEPSI adds life!" Putting a religious meaning into them, we can create this advertisement during the season of LENT, which will become our mantra: "JESUS is my drink, he is the real thing! CHRIST is my drink, he adds life!"

The words of Jesus are not only bread, but also our drink as they are the "real thing" and "add life!" Jesus is the WATER OF LIFE! Read attentively his words to the woman in our gospel:

"... whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The words of Jesus permeated the heart of the woman, and made her take the road of conversion, as she replied to the life-giving words of Jesus: "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Now read this spiritual advice of Henry Nouwen about words of life:

"When we talk to one another, we often talk about what happened, what we are doing, or what we plan to do. Often we say, 'What's up?' and we encourage one another to share the details of our daily lives. But often we want to hear something else. We want to hear, 'I've been thinking of you today,' or 'I missed you,' or 'I wish you were here,' or 'I really love you.' It is not always easy to say these words, but such words can deepen our bonds with one another. Telling someone 'I love you' in whatever way is always delivering good news. Nobody will respond by saying, 'Well, I knew that already, you don't have to say it again!' Words of love and affirmation are like bread. We need them each day, over and over. They keep us alive inside."

As Christ bearers, let our words to each other become WORDS of LIFE, as words of affirmation, love, compassion, forgiveness, hope, peace, and justice. This season of LENT, let us be the GOOD NEWS of CONVERSION to one another. Once more, we say: "Jesus is my drink, he is the real thing! Christ is my drink, he adds life!"

J. Vincent L. Pasqua

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	3/13	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	3/14	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Elaine M. Rozmiarek Family, † Ken Wozniak By Roger & Annette Ogard
Wednesday	3/15	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † John Shoemaker By Geri Wardyn, End to Abortion
Thursday	3/16	8:30 am Daily Mass (SPP) † Bernice Koperski By Linda Gawrych, † James Novakowski By Mike & Alicia Gorecki & Family
Friday	3/17	9:00 am Daily Mass (Matelyn) † Marie Vollbracht By Family, † Ray Chelewski By CCW
Saturday	3/18	5:00 pm Mass (SPP) † LaFern Mudloff By Family, † Colleen Brouillette by CCW 6:30 pm NO Mass (SJ) (4:00pm Wedding at St. Joseph)
Sunday	3/19	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † Victor & † Ellen Goerl By Mel & Linda Schmaderer 10:00 am Mass (SPP) † William Gregoski Sr. By Kathy Carson, People of the Parishes

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL DIOCESAN YEAR

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) eucharisticrevival.org *Revival is in the Air. Join us June 10, 2023, for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. Information and registration can be found at gidiocese.org/eucharistic-revival*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE MARCH 18TH & 19TH

SACRISTANS

Saturday - 5pm: Michael Happ
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: 1st Grade Students

LECTOR

Sat - 5pm: Lane Mottl
Sun - 8am: Zach Hirschman
Sun - 10am: Volunteer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 5pm: Megan Dubas / Volunteers
Sun - 8am: Volunteers
Sun - 10am: Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat -5pm: Ella Mottl / Claire Dubas
Sun - 8am: Volunteers
Sun - 10am: Reagan Grabowski/Lauryn Brandt/Ike Gawrych



CLASS TIMES:

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

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

Grades 6th & 9th help with March 24 FISH FRY

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

Keep up the good work of helping at Mass, and serving our liturgical community.

Thank you for supporting our Religious Ed. Program!



Thank you families for selling &
Thank you to all that purchase!
You can stop by the office
To purchase some also.

All orders due March 15th.

Please get forms & money to their teacher or the Church Office.

SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS

Higher Ground | HQ Extreme Faith | Refuge

We have 10 students attending summer camps!

If you would like to contribute toward their tuition or sponsor a student, please contact the Church Office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES Sign up!

Please help fill in March/April sign up sheet!

Consider helping with Holy Week & Easter Masses!

*Busy Time Women's
Holy Hour*

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

CCW Spring Basket Bonanza

Buy your lucky tickets for the
Baskets at the Fish Fry.

Drawing will be on Palm Sunday!



CCW Please pay your \$10 CCW 2023 annual dues.

All females of Parish over 18 are members of CCW.

Envelopes available by the SPP Chapel.

Lenten Rosary

Join us in Praying the Holy Rosary
Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday - 8:15am SPP



Young at Heart POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Tuesday March 14, 12-1pm SPP Parish Life Center

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



Meeting: Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 PM
at **St. Anthony's Catholic Church**

Come help your Knights of Columbus plan for future events.

Maybe you will be a lucky drawing winner!

(Must be present to win.)

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

MASS FOR LIFE

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023 5:00 PM

STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

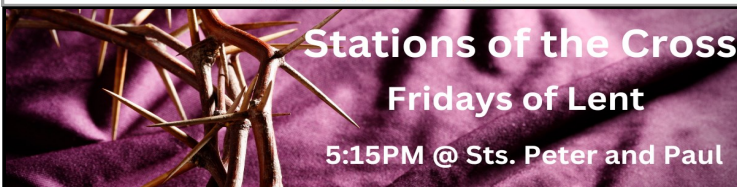


-BLESSING OF A CHILD IN THE WOMB, FOR MOTHERS AND FATHERS-
(EXPECTANT PARENTS PLEASE CONTACT ANN RIEF 308-380-0619)
-SOUP RECEPTION PROVIDED BY CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS FOLLOWING MASS-
-AT PARISH LIFE CENTER-

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent

5:15PM @ Sts. Peter and Paul



Find a Fish Fry! ~ Visit spiritcatholicradio.com click icon



Saints Peter & Paul Fish Fry FUNDRAISER March 24 Polka Band & Cash Bar 5:00-7:00PM Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center 713 Elm Street St. Paul, NE	Dinner include: Baked or Fried Fish, Potato, Vegetable, Salad, Dinner Roll and Dessert \$12 Adult \$5 Kids Age 6-12 Free Kids Age 5 & Under DINE IN OR CARRY OUT
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Lenten Brown Bag talks ~ Wednesday, March 15th

12:00-1:00pm St. Mary's Cathedral Square (Bring a sack lunch)

Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt ~ topic: Purgatory



**Anyone 21+
Wednesdays
from 7-8
Loup River
Distilling**

March 15th- Fr. Sid Bruggeman on Why Does God Let Me Hurt?



**TURN IN YOUR
CRS RICE BOWLS
ON GOOD FRIDAY
AT STS. PETER & PAUL**

KARNIVAL KAPERS CARNIVAL GAMES 11AM - 3PM TICKETS SOLD ON SITE BAKE SALE BINGO CAKE WALK	1200 RUBY AVE GRAND ISLAND SUN. MAR 19 ROAST BEEF & CHICKEN DINNER 11AM-1:30PM ADULTS \$10 K-12TH \$8 SENIOR CITIZENS \$8
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The Polish Heritage Center in Ashton is hosting:

Make your own Butter Easter Lamb March 18, 1:30-3:30 \$10



Art of Pisanki (Polish Easter Egg Decorating)

March 25, 10am-2pm \$10 Wear an old shirt, lunch provided.

Call Sandi Mudloff to Register - 308-750-6439

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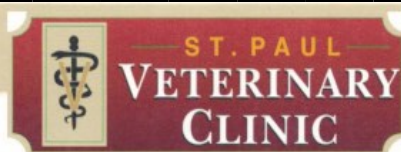
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DIOCESAN APPEAL Incentive Parishes that meet their dollar **AND** donor goal by **March 31, 2023** will be eligible to be in a drawing to receive up to **\$2,500**. One Parish drawn in April.

2022-23 DIOCESAN APPEAL	SPP	SA	SJ
Parish Goal	\$28,245	\$3,362	\$1,568
Total Raised	\$17,960	\$2,590	\$252
Donor Goal	90	14	8
# of Donors	74	13	3

LORD'S PORTION

Sts. Peter and Paul

General Fund - \$3,831.00

Parish Center - \$165.00

Maintenance - \$15.00

Eastern Europe - \$5.00

St. Anthony

General Fund - \$1,512.00

Heating Fund - \$500.00

St. Joseph

General Fund - \$190.00

WEEK AT A GLANCE

March	Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15
13TH - 19TH 	NO Daily Mass <i>Rosary 9am SPP</i> <i>Busy Time</i> <i>Women's Holy Hour</i> 7pm SPP	Daily Mass 8:30am SPP <i>Rosary 9am SPP</i> Young at Heart Luncheon 12-1pm SPP Parish Life Center KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Meeting 7pm In Farwell St. Anthony's Catholic Church	Daily Mass 8:30am SPP <i>Rosary 9am SPP</i> Religious Ed. Classes ~ Grades 5th to 11th 7-8pm PLC THEOLOGY ON TAP 7-8PM LRD
Thursday 16	Friday 17	Saturday 18	Sunday 19
Daily Mass 8:30am SPP <i>Rosary 9am SPP</i>	<i>Rosary 8:15am SPP</i> Mass 9:00am Matelyn STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:15PM SPP	Reconciliation 4:30pm SPP Mass 5:00 pm SPP Mass 4:00pm St. Joseph - Naglor/Morrow Wedding (NO 6:30pm St. Joseph Mass)	Mass 8:00am & 10:00am SPP 1st Grade helping with 10am Mass Religious Ed. Classes ~ Preschool - 4th Grade 9-10am PLC