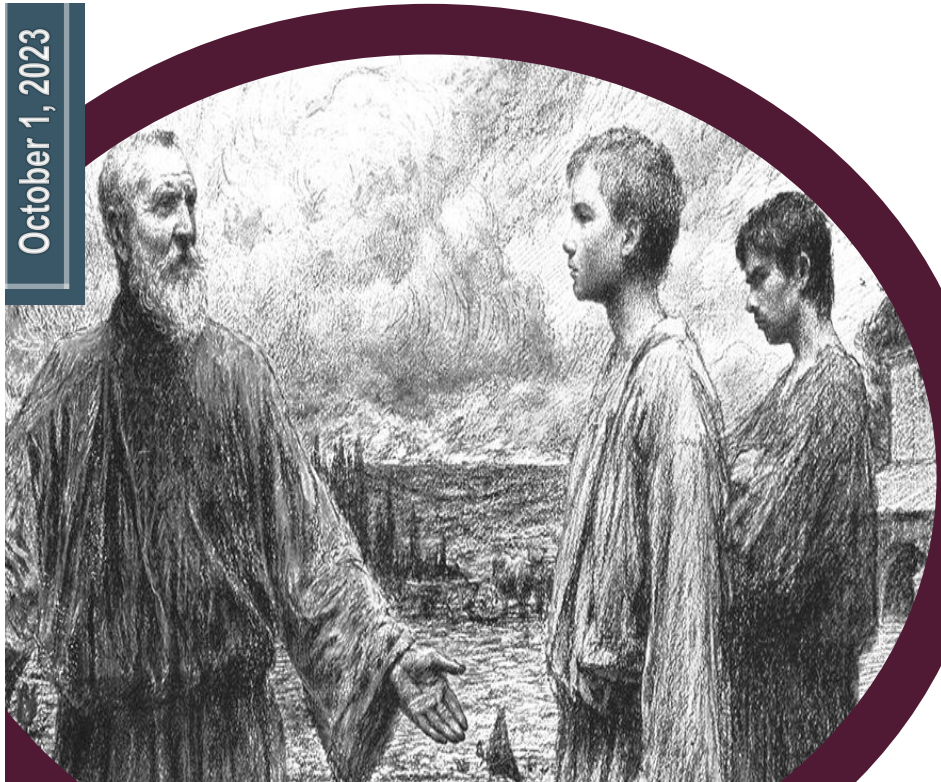


October 1, 2023



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Which of the TWO did the WILL of his FATHER

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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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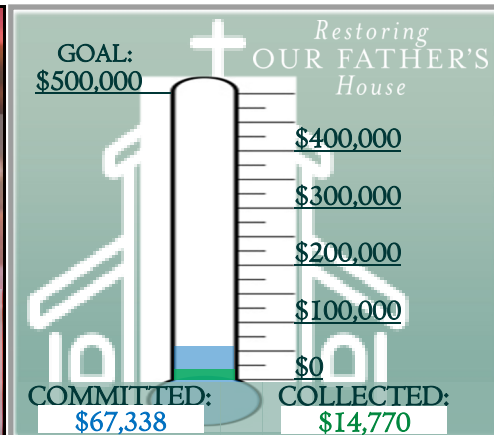
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October is
Respect Life Month

Join our *Life Chain*

THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST AT 2-3PM
IN ST. PAUL - HWY 281 - SIGNS PROVIDED
MEET BY U-BETCHA AUTO/JACOBS FORD



NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 1, 2023

Today is RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY! Remember that LIFE is the most beautiful gift of God to humanity; it is seen as the image of God, "a sign of God's love, a trace of his glory!" Our faith calls us to become committed guardian of the sanctity of life.

Also, our faith calls us to become committed participants in rebuilding the deteriorating moral image of humanity. We cannot be disloyal to our faith by simply allowing ourselves to be sedated by our silence and indifference. Listen to the proactive voices of the late Mother Teresa that disturbed the conscience of the participants of the United Nations Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, on September 1994, when she announced:

"I am sure that deep down in your heart you know that the unborn child is a human being loved by God, like you and me. How can anyone knowing that deliberately destroy that life? It frightens me to think of all the people who kill their conscience so that they can perform abortion..."

LIFE is SACRED! It must be respected and guarded in all forms: from conception to natural death. Anything that is a threat to the SANCTITY OF LIFE must be denounced and condemned. The cries of the countless victims of abortion, euthanasia, mercy killing, and capital punishment permeate our conscience and compel us to respond. This is imperative to our faith as Christians. We cannot afford to betray our faith to the God of life by simply allowing ourselves to be numbed by our silence, inaction and apathy. We cannot allow evil to triumph over good. Non-participation in the protection of the sanctity of life is a form of collaboration with evil. Therefore, as Christians, we must commit ourselves to a cultural transformation and conversion: from a CULTURE OF DEATH to a CULTURE OF LIFE!

So, when you come and receive Jesus during communion time, let him empower you to do "whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, and whatever is gracious" in his eyes. Let us become the cornerstone of the SANCTITY OF LIFE today and forever.

A big thank you to all who have returned their commitment card for the Restoring Our Father's House Campaign. We need everyone's participation! Please prayerfully consider giving to your parish community!

Fr. Vincent L. Parsons

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10/2	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	10/3	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Marie Platek
Wednesday	10/4	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † Deceased members of Wysocki Family By Kathy Carson
Thursday	10/5	NO 8:30 am Mass (SPP) 10:00am Esther Ambrose Funeral at St. Joseph in Elba
Friday	10/6	9:00 am Mass (Matelyn) † LaFern Mudloff By Rose Olsufka
Saturday	10/7	4:30 pm Reconciliation (SPP) 5:00 pm Mass (SPP) † Edna Verley By Tom & Zola Jarecke 7:00 pm Mass (SA) † Leona Lorenzen By Dan & Alice Quick Family
Sunday	10/8	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † John McIntyre By Amy & Wes Christensen 10:00 am Mass (SPP) People of the Parishes

Eternal Life

We pray for Esther Ambrose, of Elba, who passed away September 27, 2023. Mass of Christian Burial will be October 5th, 2023 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Elba. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE OCTOBER 7TH & 8TH

SACRISTANS

Saturday - 5pm: Michael Happ/ Julie Baquet

Sunday - 8am: Mike Pittman / Ken Vincik

Sunday - 10am: Russ Kosmicki / Deacon Neil Baquet

GREETERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Volunteers

Sun - 10am: 5th Grade Students

LECTOR

Sat - 5pm: Volunteer

Sun - 8am: Al Wernhoff

Sun - 10am: 5th Grade Students

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Beth Svoboda / Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

"Restoring Our Father's House"

is now an option on SPP Online Giving!

Access it on our Parish Website:

howardcountycatholics.com.

Also, for your convenience, ROFH Campaign contribution envelopes will be included in your bi-monthly packet starting in November.



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OUR FATHER'S
House

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TRI-PARISH YOUTH Religious Education

Preschool - 4th Grades: **Sundays 9-10am**
 5th - 11th Grades: **Wednesdays 7-8pm**
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center Classrooms
Please be sure your students are REGISTERED.
 DREs ~ Becky Knox 308-571-0430 & Judi Baker 308-750-8418
TEAM MEETING - Wed. Oct. 4th 6:15pm PLC

THEOLOGY ON TAP - St. Paul (no monthly meetings)
 Future quarterly dates will be announced & posted in advance.

Congratulations
 on your Baptism
NASH CHRISTIAN

Son of Braden & Sarah Townsend
 September 24, 2023
 Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



GOD Bless THIS Child

BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST
 Following 10:00am Mass
Tyson Anthony Svoboda
 Son of
Charles & Ashley Svoboda

October - Month of the Rosary

Please join us in praying the Rosary for our Country, Clergy, families & personal intentions at 9am Monday thru Thursday & 8:15am on Fridays in Sts. Peter & Paul Church.



Children's Rosary ~ Oct. 4th SPP 6:30pm
 Parents and Grandparents bring your children & all your petitions to our Mother Mary.

Busy Time Women's Holy Hour

MONDAYS AT 7PM ALL ARE WELCOME
STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Young at Heart POTLUCK LUNCHEON
Tuesday, October 10th, 12-1pm SPP Parish Hall
 Main dish provided, please bring a side dish to share.

CCW Meeting - Monday, October 2
 7:00PM Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center
 All women of the Parish are welcome to attend!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1918 MEETING: Tuesday, October 10th 7:00PM SPP NW Classroom

TootsieRoll will be sold after Masses on **October 7 & 8th**, proceeds go to Special Olympics.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

News Release- WASHINGTON - This year, for "Respect Life Month, Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' invites Catholics to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Respect Life Month by embracing "radical solidarity" with women facing difficult or challenging pregnancies. While our efforts must remain strong to end legalized abortion, Bishop Burbidge affirmed the personal responsibility of all Catholics to "thoroughly surround mothers in need with life-giving support and personal accompaniment."

THE CHOICE Wine **7 STEPS TO A SUPERABUNDANT MARRIAGE**
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First class **October 1st at 5:00pm**, SPP Parish Life Center.
 Contact Deacon Neil or Julie to get signed up & your booklet ordered.

Sign up for **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 10AM - 5PM
STS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH
 Please help fill in the times on the sign up by the Chapel.

Tri-Parish Pre-Baptismal Class - Sunday, October 8
 for Parents wishing to get their child Baptized
 11am-12pm Parish Life Center (Next Class - January 14)

GET READY FOR THE 5TH ANNUAL STS. PETER & PAUL
HOLY SMOKE COOK OFF
Saturday, October 14th at 5:30 pm \$50 ENTRY/TEAM
INTERESTED TEAMS CONTACT KERRY TOWNSEND 308-216-0466

CHURCH BAZAAR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22ND!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!! Everyone's help is needed!

80 acre parish farm lease (3year) renewal starting March 2024-2027 is available for closed bidding. Interested parties should submit bids to the Parish Office by November 30, 2023 for consideration by the Parish Council. For more details, contact Fr Vince or a Parish Council Member.

OCTOBER 6 & 7 | NECATHOLIC.ORG | LINCOLN, NE

Join in the Bishops of Nebraska at the **Pro-Life Banquet & Conference**. Discover how Truth is found and lived in a new *Dobbs* era with Catholic Answers Apologist and keynote speaker, Joe Heschmeyer. Let us lift you up with prayer, arm you with information on breaking pro-life issues, and joyfully celebrate **LIFE** with you! Visit NECatholic.org to register & learn more!

G.I. DEANERY DCCW FALL MEETING Friday, October 6th
Shelton Sacred Heart Devine Hall Registration 8:30-9am
 \$10 Email sbkroll@nctc.net or text 308-224-5685 to RSVP

DONATE WHILE You Dine! 
 Tuesday, October 3rd - 4:00pm to 8:00pm Dine at In Grand Island - Let them know you are there for Share Night & 15% of sales will be donated to Blessed Sacrament Preschool

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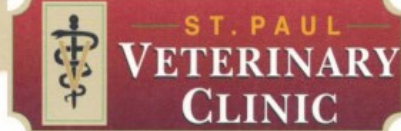
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Parish Life Center - 50.00

Maintenance - \$10.00

West Nebraska Catholic - \$65.00

St. Anthony

General Fund - \$337.00

St. Joseph

General Fund - \$120.00

SPP OFFICE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH.
Please have bulletin info. in by Tuesday Noon.



AREA PARISH CELEBRATIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church & St. Mary's Catholic School, **Ord - Sunday, October 8** - Games 11am, Dinner 11am-2pm \$15/adult; Country Store, Bake Sale, & Big Raffle Prizes
Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival, **Grand Island - Sunday, October 15** - Meal 11-1 Fried Chicken/roast Beef, etc. \$15/adult, Activities 11-2pm Silent Auction, Raffle, Kid Games, Farmer's Market, & Split the Pot