

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Many are invited  
but few are chosen

Matthew 22:14

OCTOBER 15, 2023



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

## † ST. ANTHONY

103 KEARNS AVE  
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MASS 1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

## † ST. JOSEPH

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ELBA, NE 68835  
MASS 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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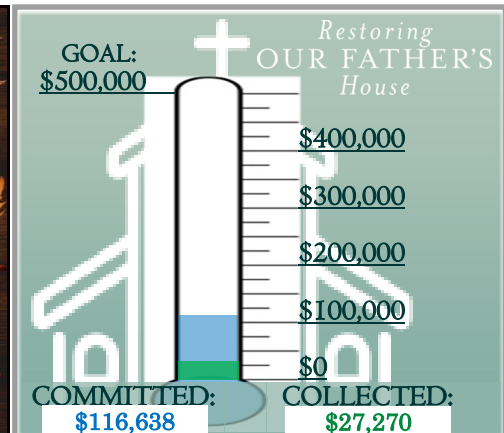
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Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

*Sts. Peter and Paul's Annual*  
**FALL BAZAAR**  
*Sunday, October 22nd 11am-1pm*  
 Turkey & Dressing, Mashed Potatoes,  
 Sauerkraut & Sausage, Vegetable, Salad & Dessert  
**DINE IN OR DRIVE THRU \$15 PER ADULT PLATE**  
 \$5 AGE 6-12. FREE AGE 1-5. FAMILY MAX \$50  
 LIVE AUCTION BEGINS AT 12:30PM SILENT AUCTION & COUNTRY MARKET  
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## NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

### Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 15, 2023

Satan was complaining to the Lord, "You're unfair. So many sinners do wrong and you take them back. In fact, some came back half a dozen times and you always welcome them. I make one big mistake and you condemn me forever. It is not fair, very undemocratic, not politically correct. Then God answered him, "Did you ever ask for forgiveness?"

Satan is only interested in the external features of the sinner; but God sees both: the person as a sinner and the human heart pleading for forgiveness. And God accedes to a sincere heart asking to be forgiven. Listen carefully to the observation of the king about the man's outfit during the wedding celebration in today's gospel, he said: "My Friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?" Although the king noticed that the man's outfit was not appropriate for the wedding celebration, he recognized his dignity hidden in his heart by calling him a "FRIEND". And God is like the king. God invites us every Sunday to the banquet of life. Even though we are not worthy to be present because we are wearing the garments of selfishness, hatred, hypocrisy, and prejudice, he still calls us his "CHILDREN" or his "HOLY PEOPLE!"

In order to receive Jesus worthily in every Eucharistic celebration, God invites us into a penitential process at the beginning of the liturgy where we have to be cleansed and reconciled with him and with each other. God's invitation is a mercy beyond measure; he garbs us with a grace that is bountiful; and he embraces us with a love that is unconditional. God leads us into these conversion moments because he recognizes his image and likeness in our hearts. He wants us to wear the garments of hope and life.

Let the Eucharist we receive today help us identify and acknowledge each other as a FRIEND - outside and inside! Be friendly to people you meet today. Let us sincerely follow the advice of the late Mother Teresa of India, when she said: "Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's happiness; happiness in your face; happiness in your eyes; happiness in your smile; and happiness in your greeting." Let us make this week a FRIENDSHIP WEEK!

*Jr. Vincent L. Parsons*

### "Restoring Our Father's House"

is now an option on SPP Online Giving!  
Access it on our Parish Website:  
[howardcountycatholics.com](http://howardcountycatholics.com).



Also, starting in November, restoration Campaign contribution envelopes will be included in your bi-monthly packet of envelopes that you receive in the mail.

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>10/16</b>	<b>No Daily Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/17</b>	<b>8:30 am Communion Service (SPP)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10/18</b>	<b>8:30 am Communion Service (SPP)</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10/19</b>	<b>8:30 am Daily Mass (SPP)</b> † Archie Ambrose By Roger & Annette Ogard
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10/20</b>	<b>9:00 am Daily Mass (Matelyn)</b> † Souls of the Faithful Departed
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10/21</b>	<b>4:30 pm Reconciliation (SPP)</b> <b>5:00 pm Mass (SPP)</b> † Roman & Hazel Krzycki By Family,  <b>Mass 6:30pm (SJ)</b> † Matthew Parsons By Duane & Janice Lewandowski
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10/22</b>	<b>8:00 am Mass (SPP)</b> † John McIntyre By Terry & Liz King, People of the Parishes  <b>10:00 am Mass (SPP)</b> † Francis Mrkvicka

Father Vince will be at Clergy In Service on  
Tuesday & Wednesday, October 17-18.

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**THANK YOU COLLECTION COUNTERS**

*Your time & talents are much appreciated!*

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup> & 22<sup>ND</sup>

### 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: 6th Grade Students

### LECTOR

Sat - 5pm: Kevin Sestak

Sun - 8am: Volunteer

Sun - 10am: 6th Grade Students

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Beth Svoboda / Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

### ALTAR SERVERS

Sat - 5pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

**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  
**Sunday, October 22nd -> NO Preschool-4th Classes**  
**-> 5th to 11th Grades Help with BAZAAR!**  
**We are thankful for our great Student Helpers!**

*Congratulations*  
 on your Baptism  
**CALLUM KAMERON**

Son of Dustin & Allyson Wilson  
 October 7, 2023  
 Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



**BEST CHOICE LABELS**

Religious Ed. students are collecting Best Choice labels in Memory of Jackie Synowski. Please bring labels (need bar code with numbers) to class by Sunday, December 3 or Wednesday, December 6 for older students. Class with the most gets treated with a Pizza Party by Rebecca Knox!

*Thank you to the sewing ladies for the donations to "Water for Life". We sent 39 dresses, 6 shorts, and 2 quilts for the cause in Haiti! Job well done! Mrs. Betty Van Dyke*

**Pray A Rosary**



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

*Busy Time Women's Holy Hour*

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

**BULLETIN FOLDERS needed...**

*Please consider helping fold bulletins 11:30am on Fridays in the Quilting Room.*

**CCW Meeting - Monday, November 6**

7:00PM Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center  
 All women of the Parish are welcome to attend!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

COUNCIL 1918

*Breakfast ~ Sunday, October 29*

**8:30 to 10:00am Parish Center Pancakes, eggs, & sausage. Free will offering.**



**TURKEY HELPERS NEEDED**

Help with preparing & lifting the turkeys, for our Parish Bazaar meal...

Thursday &/or Friday, October 19 & 20  
 Please call Beth Svoboda for details 308-754-8810.  
 Your help is much appreciated!



Items for the Bazaar **SILENT AUCTION** can be dropped off at the Church Office.  
 Thank you for your donations!



**BAZAAR QUILT**

Be sure to get your raffle tickets for this beautiful quilt, created by our talented Quilting Ladies!

*Just in time for the cool weather, up your chances with more tickets!*



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TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH!



"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens." - Ephesians 1:3

**You should be receiving the 2023-2024 Diocesan Appeal letter in the mail.**

**"Day of Prayer for the Health and Wellness of Clergy, and Men and Women Religious" ~ Friday, October 20, 2023**

Live streamed Mass at 11am ET, to help raise awareness of the need to support our men and women in Church ministry.  
 More info. at link - <https://www.sjvcenter.org/dayofprayer/>

**Old Gospel Hour Hymn Sing - October 29, 2023 - 3:00pm**

Grace Baptist Church - 9th & Baxter, St. Paul  
 Questions/comments call Glenn 308-381-0540

**St. Libory's Annual Parish SOUP SUPPER**

Sunday, November 5th, 2023 - 505 Spruce Street, St. Libory, NE  
 Homemade Turkey Noodle, Chili, Bread, & Pie 3:30-5:00pm

**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.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

**Sunday, November 5th & Sunday, November 12th**

11- 11:45am 3rd grade & up



*Let the children come to me.* Mark 10:14

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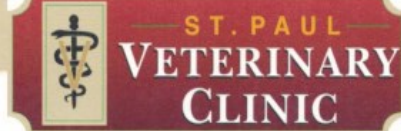
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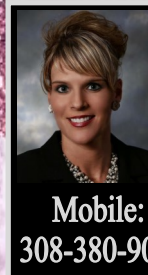
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### Sts. Peter and Paul

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Parish Life Center - \$225.00

All Saints Day / All Souls Day - \$13.00

World Mission - \$3.00

### St. Anthony

General Fund - \$1,749.00

Bazaar - \$350.00 | Maint.-Lawn - \$350.00

### St. Joseph

General Fund - \$230.00

## Prayer Chain

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*Pray without ceasing* 1 Thessalonian 5:17