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WELCOME to St. Patrick Catholic Church. We hope you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you to our parish family. Please introduce yourself. Registration forms are available in the entry racks of the Church or contact us any time at 345-6734.

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY: Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

MASS IN SPANISH: 4:00 PM

DAILY: 6:45 A.M. -- Monday-Friday
 8:00 A.M. -- School Days
 8:00 A.M. -- Saturday

HILLCREST NURSING HOME: 9:45 AM Wed.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 AM

Saturdays: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM and after 6:00 P.M. Mass

First Fridays: 7:00 PM

OR any time by appointment, call the Rectory at 345-6734.

ST. ANN CHURCH (Rural McCook, NE)

SUNDAY MASS: 8:00 AM
 (Confessions ½ hour before Mass)

SACRED HEART CHURCH (Rural Hayes Center, NE)

SUNDAY MASS: 10:00 AM
 (Confessions ½ hour before Mass)

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL (345-4546): *Rebecca Redl, Principal, Barbara Bortner, Secretary.* Grades K-8. Tuition/book fee for 2018-19 school year: \$750.00 for 1st child; \$150 for 2nd child; \$100 for 3rd child (maximum fee \$1,000). Additional tuition charge for non-parishioners is \$600. There is also the Diocesan Education Fee of \$25.00 per student. School offers: Band, Vocal Music, Spanish, Art, Athletics, Student Council, Hot Lunch, Advanced Math, & Literature.

LITTLE KNIGHTS PRESCHOOL (345-4546): 612 East 3rd St. Morning Pre-K: Mon, Wed-9:00-11:15 AM & Thurs-1:00-3:15 PM; Afternoon Pre-K, Mon-Tues-Wed-1:00-3:15 PM; Toddler: Tues-Thurs, 9:00-11:15 AM.

CCD PROGRAM: Grades K-8, Wednesday evenings during school year, 7:00-8:15 PM. (For children not attending St. Patrick School.)

CYO/GODPARENT PROGRAM: Religion program for Grades 9-12. For more information, please contact the rectory at 345-6734.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS): Classes held on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM in the School Library. Call the rectory at 345-6734 for information.

LEGION OF MARY: *Carol Lashley (340-8401):* Catholics reaching out to the community in imitation of Mary.

BAPTISM: Call the Rectory to arrange pre-baptismal class and to schedule baptism.

MARRIAGE: Call for an appointment to begin preparation **at least 6 months** before your proposed wedding date.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: Kate Siegfried RN, BSN, FCP (345-5812)

FAMILY COUNSELING: For information or to schedule appointments, call The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center of Catholic Social Services - **1-800-961-6277.**

PROJECT RACHEL: Healing the wounds of abortion. Don't suffer any longer from guilt, despair, psychological or spiritual problems. Private, sensitive and confidential - **1-800-964-3787.**

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP: Phone Shelley at **345-7217** for more information.

THAT MAN IS YOU (Men's group): Phone the Rectory at 345-6734 for more information.

ALTAR SOCIETY (1st Tues.)

President: Peggy Been 340-7260
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MASS SCHEDULE - St. Patrick Church

Monday, January 14

6:45 am Mark & Frieda Schaaf †
8:00 am Fr. Val Bartek

Tuesday, January 15

6:45 am Raleigh Haas †
8:00 am L/D Mbrs. Jim & Nellie Ryan family

Wednesday, January 16

6:45 am Chelcee Hrnchir
8:00 am Inez Bass †

Hillcrest Nursing Home Wed. January 16

9:45 am Cecelia Kotschwar †

Thurs. January 17

6:45 am L/D Mbrs. Burns/Hamrick families
8:00 am Special Intention (RS)

Friday, January 18

6:45 am Joseph Burns
8:00 am Wayne Spilinek †

Saturday, January 19

8:00 am Special Intention (RS)

SUNDAY MASSES - St. Patrick Church

Saturday, January 19

6:00 pm Russ Niebur †

Sunday, January 20

7:30 am For our Parishioners
9:00 am LeRoy Jagers †
11:00 am Phyllis Douglass †

4:00 pm MASS IN SPANISH Priest's Intention
Iglesia de San Patricio (Church of St. Patrick) (409 Calle F) (409 East F Street) Padre Bernard Lorenz- (308) 414-1195 **Confesiones: antes de la Santa Misa.**

MISSIONS:

ST. ANN CHURCH

Sunday, January 20

8:00 am Raleigh Haas †

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Sunday, January 20

10:00 am Priest's Intention

CONTRIBUTIONS for the week of 1/6/2019 – **St. Ann:** \$192.00, 1st Offering: \$10.00; **Sacred Heart:** \$521.00, 1st Offering: \$40.00; **St. Patrick:** \$7,796.01, 1st Offering: \$1,475.62, Solemnity of Mary: \$521.00. **Online Giving:** \$2,050.00, Christmas: \$100.00, Solemnity of Mary: \$85.00, Building Fund: \$95.00, Guardian Angel: \$70.00

2018 LUCKY IRISH CALENDAR WINNERS: January, 2019 winners are not yet available.

THE BIGGEST LIE IN THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY by Matthew Kelly. How modern culture is robbing billions of people of happiness. **Free** copies are available at Church entrances. Thank you to the Altar Society's Bargain Bazaar for purchasing the books.

PLEASE PRAY THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Pauline Haberkorn (sister of Mary Ann Anderjaska), Wayne Spilinek (son of Roberta Spilinek & brother of Tony Spilinek), & Ryan Scott (Son of Richard Scott & stepson of Rose Scott and uncle to Darrell Scott).

PRAYER CHAIN: 340-7946

(Call between 8 & 8:30 am)

Ministry Schedule (January 19 and 20, 2019)				
	Saturday 6:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 9:00 AM	Sunday 11:00 AM
Acolyte	Jacobs	Cappel	Fagot	Mabile
Acolyte			Eiler	O'Dea
Lector	Larry E	Kuhlen	Tom K	Wood
Server	Haag	Cappel	Brooks	Mashek
Server	Bortner	Volunteer	Weyeneth	Larson
Server			Weyeneth	Heskett
Rosary	Morello	Kuhlen	Roberts	Gerver
Gifts	Please sign up at the back of the Church to carry gifts			

St. Ann Catholic Parish (Jan. 20, 2019)	
Server	Ryan Werkmeister
Server	Steven Werkmeister

SCHOOL NEWS – **Tues. Jan. 15 @ 2:30 pm:** Boys Basketball vs. Southwest at St. Patrick. **Wed. Jan. 16:** Early dismissal at **2:00 pm.** **Thu. Jan. 17 @ 3:30 pm:** Girls/Boys Basketball at Benkelman.

CCD CLASSES – **Wed. Jan. 16 from 7-8:15 pm** in the School.

CYO – **Wed. Jan. 16.** Home Meeting

FRESHMAN BREAKFAST- after **7:30 & 9 am** Masses. Menu: cinnamon french toast, eggs, fruit and bacon. Free will offering.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE – **Jan. 18-20,** Men's **Acolytes and Lectors** are invited to a Men's retreat with Fr. Eric Clark at Good Counsel Retreat House entitled "Discipleship at the Foot of the Cross". The retreat will also include Acolyte/Lector practical formation with the Knights of the Holy Eucharist. **Feb. 1-3:** "Unbound: Breaking Free from Spiritual Wounds" with Fr. William Holubek. Registration and information at www.goodcounselretreat.com or 402-786-2705.

BARGAIN BAZAAR has nick knacks, dishes, garland vases, stuffed animals, and cards for Valentine's Day. Come shop the Bargain Bazaar –McCook's One-Stop Thrift Shop!

BARGAIN BAZAAR SORTING PARTY – every **Mon. morning at 9 am.** Come for an hour or two or more. Men and women welcome. Questions? Call Susie at 340-3000. Come join the fun!!

PROJECT RACHEL – Men experience many of the same painful emotions as women after abortion. However, they often mistakenly believe their feelings are unwarranted. Without an outlet, men may feel withdrawn, depressed, or emotionally volatile. The pain of abortion affects all involved, including men. We can help. Contact Project Rachel for confidential individual referrals at **651-291-4515** or e-mail: respectlife@archspm.org.

GIFT GALA – Don't throw away your old decorations! The Gift GALA is looking for white Christmas lights, a chocolate fountain to borrow and table top spotlights for use at the auction. Please call Amy Stritt 402-430-7153 or Melissa Wilcox (340-6850). Please drop your items at the Rectory. Whatever is not used will be donated to the Bargain Bazaar.

GALA – Our first GALA was a wonderful success. It provided the funds for not just a one-time bonus, but it gave us the ability to give a raise that carries forward. Please be generous again this year by praying for the GALA's success and maybe participate in the event itself.

2019 SKY CAMP: At SKY Camp boys and girls are on "God's time." All time telling devices are turned in at the beginning of camp (don't worry you will get them back) allowing the campers the freedom of not having to worry about time. Camp activities include Mass, swimming, catechesis, skits, Reconciliation, campfires, basketball, crafts, archery, music, and a multitude of outdoor games.

SKY Camp (entering grades 5-7) – 3-day, 2-night (\$155)
Camp 1: Tues. May 28- Thurs. May 30; Camp 2: Thurs. May 30- Sat. June 1; Camp 3: Sun. June 2- Tues. June 4; Camp 5: Sun. June 9- Tues. June 11; Camp 7: Sun. June 16- Tues. June 18
SKY Teens (entering grades 8-9) – 4-day, 3-night (\$195)
Camp 4: Wed. June 5- Sat. June 8; Camp 6: Wed. June 12- Sat. June 15

PLEASE NOTE—All SKY Camp questions should be addressed to Russell Koos at 402-319-3289 or at the website below. The Youth Ministry Office does NOT coordinate this Camp. **Registration now open** at www.campkateri.org/. Click on SKY Camp and follow the prompts.

LEADERSHIP CAMP is a Catholic boy's summer camp for Altar Servers entering 6th through 9th grade in the fall. The camp is 7 days, 6 nights, held at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha at McCool Junction. Activities include Sacraments, daily Mass, activities, inspiring worship, challenging and engaging talks, interactive sports, and life-changing prayer experiences. We assist boys to become self-disciplined and confident young men by imprinting within their soul a true zeal to know Christ and to embrace His plan for their lives. Camp Chaplin is Fr. Harlan Waskowiak.
Camp #1: Sun. July 7-Sat. July 13. \$450; Camp #2: Sun. July 14-Sat. July 20. \$450

PLEASE NOTE--All Leadership Camp questions should be addressed to Russell Koos at 402-319-3289 or at the website below. The Youth Ministry Office does NOT coordinate this Camp. **Registration now open** at www.campkateri.org/. Click on Leadership Camp and follow the prompts.

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC RADIO will be off the air on **Wed. Jan. 16** at noon for approximately one hour for equipment maintenance. Thank you for your patience.

ADVERTISING SPACES AVAILABLE – Advertising spaces are available on the back of the bulletin. This is a great advertising value. Hurry before they disappear. Call Louise at 345-6734.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – *“Jesus Himself is calling you to spend one special, specific hour with Him each week.”* (St. John Paul II)

“Dan Rather once interviewed Mother Theresa. He asked Mother Theresa about prayer:

“What do you say to God when you pray,” he inquired.

“Nothing,” replied Mother Theresa. “I just listen.”

“What does God say to you?” he responded.

“Nothing,” replied Mother Theresa. “He just listens.”

That's what prayer before the Blessed Sacrament can become. We are still, silent, and we listen to God listening to us. And the more time we spend before the Blessed Sacrament in silence, the more we will begin to hear God listen, the more aware we will become of his presence in our lives.” (*Doug McManaman, Deacon and a Religion and Philosophy teacher at Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy in Markham, Ontario, Canada. Catholic Education Resource Center, 2007.*)
Can you spare one hour each week to spend before the Tabernacle with Jesus Christ?

THAT MAN IS YOU! – **8 pm, Sun. Jan. 13** in the Church basement. Topic: “The Strength to Serve”. All are welcome.

ULTREYA— **3:30 pm, Sun. Jan. 13** in the Church basement.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CIRCLE MEETING -- **7 pm, Tues., Jan. 15** at the home of Willetta Bieker, 604 East 5th.

SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING – **7 pm, Tues. Jan. 15** in the School Library.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS FOR CHRIST – **7:00 pm, Wed. Jan. 16** in Church basement. Enjoy support, faith and encouragement in raising our children in the Catholic faith. Study series by Mary Ann Budnik. Call Sarah Weber (362-7302) or Cassie Spencer (340-2931) for more information.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION) – **7 pm, Thurs. Jan. 17**. Subject: “*Sacramentals*”. Please call the rectory at 345-6734 if you have questions.

RIGHT TO LIFE BREAKFAST – **Sun. Jan. 20** after the **7:30 & 9 am Masses**. Come, enjoy a hot breakfast, and help support the local Right to Life program.

ONE ROSE ONE LIFE – There will be a second collection on the weekend of **Jan. 19 & 20** for One Rose One Life. This annual fundraising drive provides funding for McCook Right to Life.

FREE THROW COMPETITION -- **Jan. 20:** Doors open at 12 pm. Contest begins at 1 pm. Open to all boys & girls ages 9-14. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of Jan. 1. Call Randy Solko with questions at 785-475-4363.

NEBRASKA WALK FOR LIFE -- The annual *Walk for Life* sponsored by Nebraska Right to Life will be held **on Sat. Jan. 26**. Walk begins at **10:00 am** on the north side of the State Capitol in Lincoln. Parking is available around of the Capitol and in metered stalls and parking garages. After a brief program, participants will walk to the UNL Student Union (14th and R St.) for the keynote speaker, Catherine Adair, former Planned Parenthood employee. Events conclude at 1 pm.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND -- **Feb. 15-17** at the Lied Center in Nebraska City. Call 30 days ahead to reserve facilities. Contact Pat & Janelle Benson: Pat 308-940-0670, Janelle 308-940-1105 or pbjbben@yahoo.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – Red Willow County Fair-**July 24-28**.

HEALING MASS – **4 pm, Sun. Mar. 31**. Potluck supper follow. Paper goods & drinks provided.

GUN-A-MONTH RAFFLE – The Knights of Columbus are doing the gun raffle again in 2019. Please call Dick Cappel 350-0363 or Rodney Solko 785-475-4363 for more info or to buy a ticket.

ROE V WADE – **Jan. 22** is the 46th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling legalizing abortion (Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton). The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decision reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard. Jan. 22 is a day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, Jan. 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.” (US Conf. of Catholic Bishops.) Please pray for our aborted children and for parents who are about to abort their child.

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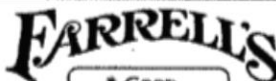
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