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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; Robin Calvin, 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.)

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MASS SCHEDULE - St. Patrick Church

Monday, September 17

6:45 am Phyllis Douglass †
 8:00 am Norm Sekavec †

Tuesday, September 18

6:45 am Paul, Leona & Frank Haller †
 8:00 am Dec. Members AF Meyerle family †

Wednesday, September 19

6:45 am Ben & Agnes Faimon †
 8:00 am Mary Beth Enders

Hillcrest Nursing Home Wed. September 19

9:45 am Dick Walter †

Thursday, September 20

6:45 am L/D Members Gerald & Cecelia Koch families
 8:00 am Russ Niebur †

Friday, September 21

6:45 am Kathy Koch
 8:00 am Milt Baxter †

Saturday, September 22

8:00 am Virgil Buhrman †

SUNDAY MASSES - St. Patrick Church

Saturday, September 22

6:00 pm Earl & Marian Roberts †

Sunday, September 23

7:30 am Dr. Gerald Macfee †
 9:00 am For our Parishioners

11:00 am .. L/D Members Gerald & Cecelia Koch families
4:00 pm MASS IN SPANISH Priest's Intention
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Confesiones: antes de la Santa Misa. (Confessions before the Holy Mass)

MISSIONS:

ST. ANN CHURCH

Sunday, September 23

8:00 am Priest's Intention

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Sunday, September 23

10:00 am Bella Marie Primavera

PRAYER CHAIN: 340-7946

(Call between 8 & 8:30 am)

Ministry Schedule (September 22 and 23, 2018)				
	Saturday 6:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 9:00 AM	Sunday 11:00 AM
Acolyte	Redl	Liess	Eiler	Spilinek
Acolyte			Peterson	Sughroue
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Rosary	Campbell	Lashley	Bieker	Loescher
Gifts	Please sign up at the back of the Church to carry gifts			

St. Ann Catholic Parish (September 23, 2018)	
Server	Jacob Harms
Server	Ethan Spencer

SCHOOL NEWS – Tues. Sept. 18 at 2 pm: Volleyball vs. Trenton (Home), **Thurs. Sept. 20 at 2 pm:** Volleyball vs. Hayes Center/Maywood (Home)

HELP THE SCHOOL – Please continue to recycle your aluminum cans (use the designated receptacles in the alley) and save your Box Tops for Education, Our Family labels and Schmick's receipts.

WE NO LONGER ACCEPT USED INK CARTRIDGES OR CELL PHONES.

GARDEN PRODUCE – If you have excess garden produce, please contribute it to the Hot Lunch Program. Drop your items off in the church basement between 9 am -2 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: 9 am Sun. Oct. 28 – Confirmation. **Nov. 16-18** –TEC (Teens Encounter Christ).

CCD CLASSES – Wed. Sept. 19 from 7-8:15 PM in the School.

CYO – Wed. Sept. 19: meet at the home of Godparents.

INFORMATION MEETING: "PLANNING FOR UNEXPECTED LIFE EVENTS" – an information only meeting **7 pm Tues. Oct. 2** at the KC Hall, 308 E. 9 St. concerning what to do in the event of an accident, illness or death of a loved one. Open to the public. Guest speakers includes two personal bankers from MNB, Attorneys Paul and Emily Wood, retired Insurance Agent Larry Eisenmenger, Tim and Kristi Daum of Carpenter Breland Funeral Home, Jim Jones and Donna Hall of Hermann Jones Funeral Chapel.

THAT MAN IS YOU! -- Sun. Sept. 16 at 8 pm in the School Library. Week 2: Out of Bondage. ●What is True Freedom ●St. John Paul II's Words on Freedom ●Fall from Freedom into Bondage ●The Story of Moses, the Israelites, and Pharaoh ●The One Who Came to Set Us Free. For information, contact Mike Tines at 340-3028 or Fr. Brethour at 345-6734. Watch the bulletin for start dates.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CIRCLE will meet **Tues. Sept. 18 at 7 pm** at the home of Anna Montey, 1611 West 3rd Street.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION) – meets **Thurs. Sept. 20 at 7 pm** in the school library. This week's discussion: "The Gifts of Divine Life, Revelation, and Sacred Scripture." Enter the school through the northeast doors. Please call the rectory at 345-6734 if you have questions.

PLEASE PRAY THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Eleanor Traphagan, Frances Blomstedt, Charlotte Haller, Steve McConnell (husband of Catherine McConnell), Raleigh Haas (husband of Kathy Haas), Velma McBride of our parish, & Nila Been (mother of Kent Been).

CONTRIBUTIONS for the week of 9/9/2018 – **St. Ann:** \$165.00;

Sacred Heart: \$287.00; **St. Patrick:** \$6,594.77.

2017 LUCKY IRISH CALENDAR WINNERS: Sept. 9: Pat Burns, Sept. 10: Bill Loescher, Sept. 11: Jane Bell, Sept. 12: St. Patrick School, Sept. 13: Pam Fagot, Sept. 14: Tilden Weber, Sept. 15: Brody Yager.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE – Experience refuge and solitude, renewal and conversion, sanctuary and prayer: experience a weekend retreat. **Thurs. Sept. 27-Sun. Sept. 30** "Love Made Visible" Eucharistic Adoration Retreat with Fr. Zachary. Rosary, Conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Healing Service and Masses. **Fri. Oct. 19 - Sun. Oct. 21:** "Truth and the Gift of the Spirit." Catechists Retreat for Educators, Teachers, Catechists, and Parents with Fr. Andrew Heaslip & Matt Simmons. To obtain 2018-19 retreat schedule or to register for a retreat, contact Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly at 402-786-2705 or www.goodcounselretreat.com.

BARGAIN BAZAAR – Bargain Bazaar sorting party **every MONDAY morning** at 9 am. Come join the fun. Stay as long as you like.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with 100th Anniversary activities of St. Patrick School! For any questions, you may contact Cassie Spencer (308-278-2644) or Jill Koenig (308-737-0751).

ADORATION SUNDAY is part of the Diocesan Rosary Crusade leading up to the “Eucharistic Procession around the Capitol” that will occur at the State Capitol in Lincoln at **3 pm on Sun. Nov. 4th**. It encourages Adoration before the Blessed Eucharist. Please complete a pledge card and prayerfully consider making a commitment to spend one hour in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament each week. You can do this in front of the tabernacle or in front of Our Eucharistic Lord exposed in the Monstrance. If you already do one hour of adoration each week, please consider making a commitment to do a second weekly hour. Now is the time for sacrifice, to do something extra to deepen our personal relationship with Our Lord, to receive His strength and healing power, and to make reparation for our own sins and those of the whole world. We invite you to consider “consecrating yourself to Jesus through Mary” according to the method of St. Louis de Monfort. When you do this consecration the Virgin Mary places her merit with your merit and you receive a super-abundance of grace from Our Lord.

31st ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN on **Sun. Oct. 7** is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. Stand with thousands of supporters of life throughout the US and Canada and join in prayer. Bring the whole family! Lawn chairs, water, umbrellas, and strollers are encouraged! Meet at the ACE Hardware (formerly JC Penny) parking lot to receive a sign and instructions **at 2 pm**. From **2:30-3:30 pm**, a stand of prayer and meditation will be made along B Street. **At 3:30 pm**, return your signs to the ACE Hardware parking lot. For more information, call Roger or Marti at 340-3650 or go to www.lifechain.net.

ROSARY COAST TO COAST CAMPAIGN -- Bishop James D. Conley, of the Diocese of Lincoln endorses Rosary Coast to Coast to take place on Oct. 7, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary: “I invite you, I implore you to participate in the upcoming coast to coast rosary which will take place on Oct. 7. You may have read in other countries such as Ireland, the United Kingdom and Poland, Catholics and Christians have gathered together to pray the rosary, asking Our Lady to intercede on behalf of our culture. To bring the message of Jesus; to bring the message of mercy to a culture that is in desperate need of healing and turning back to God.” Over 400 Rosary rallies have been registered across the US, with more being added each week encouraged to be held in public places. The nearest to McCook is St. Cecelia in Hastings. Join others across the country and pray the rosary on **Oct. 7, at 3 pm** while viewing the live-stream of the National Rosary Rally at <http://rosarycoasttocoast.com/>.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM -- **Sat. Sept. 22 from 9 am.-noon** at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln. The program is for girls age 10-13 and their mothers. “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” educates girls on growing up and becoming a woman. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$20 per mother/daughter or \$30 per family. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/mother-daughter>. Questions call Jen Davis at 402-261-6375 or email jmdavis17@gmail.com

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL: Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

HOTLINE TO REPORT MISCONDUCT – the diocese is now using an externally monitored hotline for reporting misconduct of any kind by diocesan personnel: 1-844-527-0596 (English and Spanish). A third party service screens the call with a series of questions and routes it to the appropriate diocesan office based on the nature of the call. People can also notify the diocese of misconduct by submitting a message through the diocesan website.

REPORTING CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT – Nebraska law requires all suspicions of child abuse or neglect to be reported to law enforcement or DHHS (Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-652-1999).

FALL FESTIVAL – Please donate new or handmade items or services for the auction. Donations can be left at the rectory or call to arrange pick-up. Fall Festival is **Oct. 13 & 14**. There are many volunteer opportunities, so please sign up at the back of the church! Call Jess Barger (345-5566 or 402-981-9735).

THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SOUTHERN NEBRASKA professionally manages a number of Endowment Funds and Scholarships for parishes, schools, and agencies throughout the Diocese of Lincoln, to ensure their sustained impact. The Catholic Foundation will find smart and creative opportunities for philanthropy to the Church. People don’t always realize the options they have for giving, which is where we come in. If the Foundation can figure out what somebody has in their heart, they can help them be charitable in a way that is often innovative and at the same time provide for the financial needs of their families and can help them address the complexities of their entire financial plan, not just their plan for charitable giving. You don’t have to be wealthy, or at a certain stage of life, to make a difference; Catholics of all ages and income levels put their gifts to work helping others. Find out what type of assets make the best planned gifts, and learn about gifts of cash, securities and property: Gifts of Stock, Bonds, and Mutual Fund Shares, Gifts of Real Estate, Gifts of Retirement Assets, Gifts of Cash, Gifts of Insurance, Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD). If you would like more information, contact Chris Raun at 402-488-2142 or Les Mach at 402-443-6180 at the Catholic Foundation Office.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SOUTHERN NEBRASKA SEMI-ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION – We received checks for \$5,356.67, \$262.44 and \$612.44 from our endowment accounts.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – Closed support group at Community Hospital for adults who have experienced a recent loss of a loved one or for hospice families. No charge to attend. Sessions **begin Sept. 25** and continue on Oct. 9 & 23, Nov. 6 & 20, Dec. 4 & 18 and Jan. 8. Meetings are in Prairie Room B on **Tues. from 4:30-6:00 pm. New members will not be added after Sept. 25**. Call Becky Mai at 344-8221 for more information.

“Be convinced that the Lord is waiting for you to open your hearts to him in prayer. He wants to meet you personally and to enter into a dialogue with you. This conviction will fill you with an urgent desire to seek periods of silence in your daily life where you have the space to be drawn into union with God in prayer. In this regard I should like to commend to you the practice of Eucharistic Adoration... Adoration draws us away from external distractions into a growing communion with Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. Encourage your friends to join in this practice.” (**Archbishop Antonio Mennini, Papal Nuncio to Great Britain**)

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