

APRIL 2, 2023

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



Blessed is he  
who comes in the  
name of the Lord;  
Hosanna in the highest

Matthew 21:9



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713 ELM STREET  
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SATURDAY MASS 5:00PM  
SUNDAY MASS 8:00AM & 10:00AM

### † ST. ANTHONY

103 KEARNS AVE  
FARWELL, NE 68838  
MASS 1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

### † ST. JOSEPH

1803 HIGHWAY 11  
ELBA, NE 68835  
MASS 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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## HOLY WEEK

THURSDAY  
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER  
7:00PM

FRIDAY  
THE LORD'S PASSION  
12:05PM

SATURDAY  
EASTER VIGIL  
8:00PM

EASTER  
SUNDAY  
8:00AM  
10:00AM

STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Submit a  
*Prayer*  
Request  
*Prayer Chain*

St. Paul - Dianne Rice: 308-571-0039  
St. Paul - Ann Rief: 308-380-0619  
Farwell-Michelle Woitalewicz: 308-336-3241  
Farwell - Thereasa Nealon: 308-336-3349  
Elba - Betty Poss: 308-750-0512

*"Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

## NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

### Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

The Cincinnati Reds were hosting the Los Angeles Dodgers for a weekend series. Tommy Lasorda was the manager of the Dodgers at the time. Tommy was a faithful Catholic. Even when the Dodgers were playing baseball on the road, Tommy would begin his Sunday morning by attending Mass.

On this particular Sunday Tommy attended Mass in the downtown church in Cincinnati. The Cincinnati Reds' manager happened to attend the same Mass. Arriving late, the Reds' manager took a pew in the back of church. He spotted Tommy up front. After the Mass, when the parishioners were heading to the exits, Tommy visited the Blessed Virgin's shrine. He knelt and prayed. Then he lit a candle and walked out.

The Reds manager kept his distance, hiding behind a pillar so Tommy couldn't see him. The Reds manager watched every move that Lasorda made. When Tommy lit the candle, the Reds manager became a bit uneasy. He assumed that Tommy was trying to achieve a divine edge on the crucial game they were going to play that afternoon. When Tommy left the church the Reds manager casually walked up to the votive light stand and blew out the candle that Tommy had just lit.

Why do people light candles in church? In nearly every church, there are candles for people to light. Shrines around the world have countless candles burning. Have you ever noticed how children love to light candles? There is something fascinating about candles. A burning candle is so warm, so comforting and so consoling.

Any burning light is a reminder of Christ, the Light of the World. The flame of a candle is symbolic of love because of its warmth and cheerfulness. As the candle burns itself out and is consumed in giving its light and service to people, it is a sign of sacrifice and sacrificial love.

Using candles in church is an age-old practice. Candles are recommended or used for every sacrament except for the sacrament of reconciliation, unless reconciliation is within a 'Penance Service.' In the early days of Christianity flaming torches and incense accompanied the officials of imperial Rome as a sign of dignity and respect. The same practice was adopted to show reverence for the bishop of Rome. Blessed candles are kept in Christian homes and are lit for times of prayer,

When I was a kid, my mother would always wake the family up during an electrical storm. She would light a candle. Then we would pray for safety. The candle was our way of asking for God's protection during the storm. People light candles beside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The candle symbolizes the presence of that person before God, praying for a special favor, or calling upon a saint to intercede before God for a special blessing.

*J. Vincent P. Pasqua*

## EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL DIOCESAN YEAR

How can Jesus Christ be truly present in what still appears to be bread and wine? In the liturgical act known as the epiclesis, the bishop or priest, speaking in the person of Jesus Christ, calls upon the Father to send down his Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, and this change occurs through the institution narrative, by the power of the words of Christ pronounced by the celebrant. [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org) **Embrace the Gift of the Eucharist.** Join us June 10, 2023, for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress, North Platte, NE, info. & registration can at [gidiocese.org/eucharistic-revival](http://gidiocese.org/eucharistic-revival)

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>No Daily Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4/4</b>	<b>8:30 am Mass (SPP)</b> † Archie Ambrose By Vange Obermiller, † Colleen Brouillette By Monte Brouillette & Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>4/5</b>	<b>8:30 am Mass (SPP)</b> † Betty Greenwalt By Kathryn Kurz, † John McIntyre By Kathryn Dubas
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>4/6</b>	<b>8:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass (SPP)</b> † Victor & † Ellen Goerl By John & Susan Johnson, † Mary Ann Nevriy By Family
<b>Friday</b>	<b>4/7</b>	<b>12:05 pm Good Friday Service</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4/8</b>	<b>8:00 pm <i>Easter Vigil</i> Mass (SPP)</b> † Eugene Jorgensen By Ron Sack, People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/9</b>	<b>8:00 am <i>Easter Sunday</i> Mass (SPP)</b> † Matt Parsons By Family, † Colleen Killinger By Robert & Victoria Wittry  <b>10:00 am <i>Easter Sunday</i> Mass (SPP)</b> Ryan & Lisa Jerabek Family, † Dave & † Karen Lukasiewicz By Kerry & Heidi Townsend & Families

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL 8TH & 9TH

### SACRISTANS

Saturday - 8pm: Michael Happ/ Julie Baquet

Sunday - 8am: Mike Pittman / Ken Vincik

Sunday - 10am: Russ Kosmicki / Deacon Neil Baquet

### GREETERS

Sat - 8pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Leo & Gina Haggerty Family

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

### LECTOR

Sat - 8pm: Volunteer

Sun - 8am: Zach Hirschman

Sun - 10am: Monte Brouillette

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 8pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

### ALTAR SERVERS

Sat - 8pm: Volunteers

Sun - 8am: Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers



### CLASS TIMES:

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

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

### END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

**Sunday, April 2nd & Wednesday, April 5th**

**We have amazing kids, thank you for a great year!**

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

### Religious Ed. Fundraiser a Great Success!

Thank you to our students, families, & our Tri-Parish community for helping us raise over \$5,600 with the Eileen's Cookie Dough fundraiser!

*This will help fund Religious Ed. books, supplies, food, and activities for this summer & next year.*

### Tri-Parish Senior Mass

Graduating Seniors are invited to wear their cap & gowns and be recognized on **Sunday, April 30, at 10:00am Mass.**

*Please help us spread the word.*

### ANNE ALT SCHOLARSHIP - Due **APRIL 15th**

Application can be found on the Parish Website, [www.howardcountycatholics.com](http://www.howardcountycatholics.com), & at the Parish Office.



### TOTUS TUUS WILL BE HERE, AT STS. PETER & PAUL!!!

Save the dates **July 23 - 28** for a fun & energetic week! *Current 1st-12th grades.*

*Registration opens soon, plan to get yours in early & get a free t-shirt!*

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES *Sign up!*

*Please help fill in **EASTER SUNDAY** sign up sheet!*

*Thank you for serving our Tri-Parish Community.*

### Fish Fry Quilt Raffle **WINNER** ~ Pat Knutson

**Thank you to all that bought raffle tickets and also all that graciously gave donations. Sts. Peter & Paul Quilting Ladies**

### CCW Spring Basket Bonanza

Last chance, buy your lucky tickets for the Baskets.

Winners will be drawn this Sunday, after 10:00am Mass!



### Lenten Rosary Join us in Praying the Holy Rosary

Monday - Wednesday only this week 9:00am

### CCW Meeting - Monday, April 3rd 7:00PM SPP PLC

All women of the Parish are welcome to attend!



**Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 7:00 PM**

**at St. Libory Parish Hall**

Mark your calendars... **May 9th, 2023 Time TBD**

**Special Guest Speaker - Tony Swanson** with

**Knights of Columbus Insurance** will be here.



## FLOWER OFFERING

Envelopes for Easter Flower Memorial Offerings are in your contribution envelopes & there are some in the back of church. On-line option also available.

### The Family Enrichment Series **Resiliency & Coping**

**Monday, April 17 - Meal 5:30, Speaker 6:00pm**

Christ Lutheran Church 1022 Elm Street, **FREE** Ages 10+  
*Come learn to how do deal with the pain life brings -*

From: Dr. Sarah Griess, Licensed Psychologist

Howard / Greeley County Ministerial Association - [Erik@stpaulgrace.org](mailto:Erik@stpaulgrace.org)

ST. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Vegas Night

WITH PRIME RIB DINNER

### SAVE THE DATE

*Win a Trip to Las Vegas!*

AND OTHER CASH PRIZES

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH**

FEATURING: BLACK JACK, TEXAS HOLD'EM, CRAPS, ROULETTE, AND MUCH MORE

RESERVE NOW, SPACE IS LIMITED! FOR TICKETS OR MORE INFO CALL/TEXT CHAD @ 970-571-1996 OR CONTACT THE OFFICE 308-754-4002

**THE EVENTS COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO VOLUNTEERED AND ATTENDED THE FISH FRYs THIS YEAR.**



### CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL

**12 APRIL 2023**

**8:00AM-2:00PM**

**ST. MARY'S LINCOLN**

Sign up & learn more at [NECatholic.org](http://NECatholic.org)



**Habitat for Humanity**

### Ways to SUPPORT

1) Adult & Children's Bibles - English & Spanish, 2) "Adopt A Family" - given list of items, 3) Volunteers Welcome, & 4) Monetary Donations  
*Call 308-385-5510 to donate or with questions.*



**YOUR CRS RICE BOWL CONTRIBUTIONS HELP PROVIDE LIFESAVING SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD! PLEASE PLACE THEM IN THE BASKET IN BACK OF CHURCH.**

### Asera Care **HOSPICE** Volunteers Needed...

...in our area to provide support to terminally ill patients and their families. *Visit, read to them, or sit alongside.* Extensive training and continued support provided.

Contact Jen Vogt 402-943-6871 [jennifer.vogt@amedisys.com](mailto:jennifer.vogt@amedisys.com)

### Annual Mass for Healing and Reparation

**Tuesday, April 11 at 5:15pm**

Bishop Hanefeldt celebrating Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral  
Information, Worship Guide, & Livestream links on [gidiocese.org](http://gidiocese.org)



# Peters

## FUNERAL HOME

Parishioners: Todd, Cindy, Riley & Katlynn Peters

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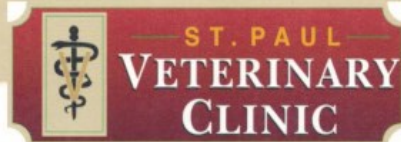
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Please submit **BULLETIN** items via e-mail or call the church office by

**Noon on TUESDAY**

office@howardcountycatholics.com

## STS PETER & PAUL PARISH OFFICE

Will be Closed: Good Friday, April 7th  
& Easter Monday, April 10

2022-23 DIOCESAN APPEAL	SPP	SA	SJ
Parish Goal	\$28,245	\$3,362	\$1,568
Total Raised	\$18,385	\$2,590	\$252
Donor Goal	90	14	8
# of Donors	75	13	3

## LORD'S PORTION

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sts. Peter and Paul

General Fund - \$2,037.00

Parish Center - \$260.00

Maintenance - \$0.00

**3RD - 9TH**



NO Daily Mass  
*Rosary 9am SPP*  
*Busy Time Women's*  
*Holy Hour 7pm SPP*  
CCW Meeting 7:00pm  
SPP - Parish Life Center

Daily Mass 8:30am SPP  
*Rosary 9am SPP*

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*Rosary 9am SPP*  
Religious Ed. Team Meeting  
6:15pm PLC  
Religious Ed. Final Class  
of the Year Celebration ~  
Grades 5th to 11th 7-8pm PLC

### St. Anthony

General Fund - \$300.00

Building Fund - \$35.00

### St. Joseph

General Fund - \$160.00

**Thursday 6**

NO 8:30am Mass  
Holy Thursday  
Mass 7:00pm SPP  
Eucharistic  
Adoration 8-10pm  
Benediction &  
Reposing Sacred  
Host 10pm SPP

**Friday 7**

*Rosary 8:15am SPP*  
NO 9:00am  
**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**  
**12:05PM SPP**  
*Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Office CLOSED*

**Saturday 8**

**EASTER VIGIL 8:00pm**  
Sts. Peter & Paul

**Sunday 9**

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**MASS 8 & 10AM SPP**

