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Sts. Peter & Paul | St. Anthony | St. Joseph

October 20, 2024

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Daily Mass Schedule:

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am SPP
Friday 9:00am -
at Matelyn/Brookfield

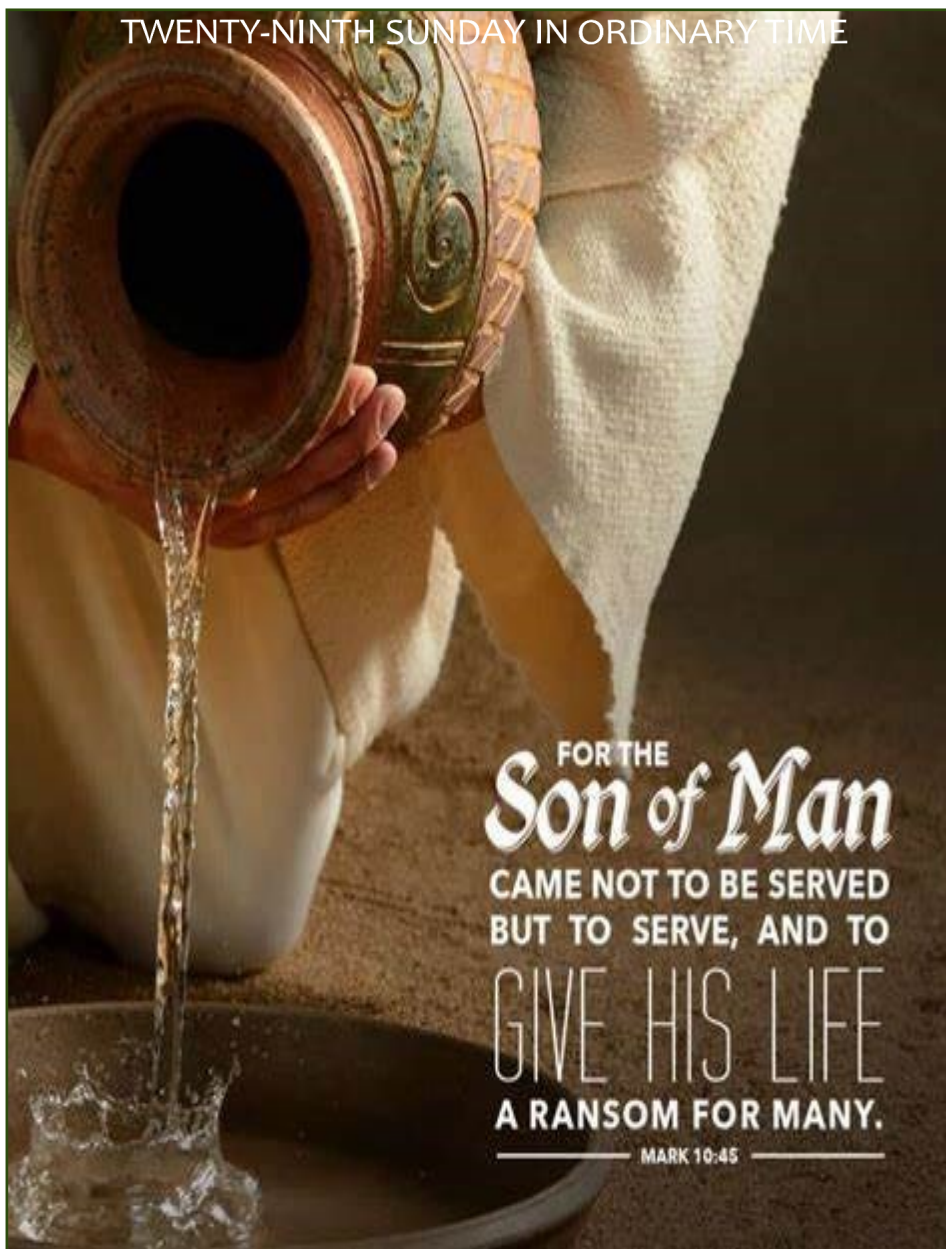
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30pm or
by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office
(308) 754-4002

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sts. Peter & Paul
713 Elm Street
St. Paul, NE 68873
(308)754-4002
Saturday Mass 5:00PM
Sunday Mass 8AM & 10AM

St. Anthony
103 Kerns Avenue
Farwell, NE 68838
(308)336-3351
MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

St. Joseph
1803 Highway 11
Elba, NE 68835
(308)336-3351
MASS 3RD SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Liturgical Ministry Directors

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Tri-Parish Media

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St. Anthony Catholic Church of Padua/Farwell
St. Joseph Catholic Church
Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

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Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

Prayer Chain Contacts

St. Paul - Dianne Rice (308-571-0039)
St. Paul - Ann Rief (308-380-0619)
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Youth Religious Ed. Classes

Preschool - 4th Grades:
Sundays 9:00am - 10:00am
(Preschool/K also offered at alt. times)

5th - 11th Grades:
Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Classes held at
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Almost 10 years ago, Pope Francis changed an aspect to the annulment process. This change takes place beginning December 8th during the Year of Mercy. The beautiful gift of sacramental marriage as a permanent union of one man and one woman does not and cannot change. Praise God! How the annulment process is facilitated can change. Praise God! To better understand what the Pope has done...

BITESIZE RESPONSE:

Pope Francis shortened the process for annulments.

MIDSIZE RESPONSE:

Anyone familiar with the annulment process knows it is a very lengthy and often requires many hurdles to get through. Pope Francis has decentralized most of the process to the local Bishop/Diocese. In short, the length of the process will be shorter and the decision will be made sooner.

MEALSIZE RESPONSE:

Marriage is a permanent commitment for life. Neither the Catholic Church nor Pope Francis can change this reality. Christ instituted it. Jesus said "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." (Mark 10:7-9) Once there is a marriage (with the proper understanding of what this means and the right grounds) there is a permanent union.

However, it is possible that the marriage from the beginning was not ordered correctly, (it was "off track" from the start, you might say). The process of annulment is the procedure to look into whether the marriage was "correct" from the beginning. If it was not, the marriage is declared NULL—it wasn't a permanent union from the beginning. There are reasons, which I won't detail here. One example will help: If a person is forced into marriage, there is actually no marriage. The couple with declaration of nullity are then free to make a permanent commitment in marriage because there wasn't one before.

Pope Francis has NOT changed the permanence of marriage (again, he can't). Pope Francis has changed the process of how this declaration of nullity comes about. Anyone familiar with the annulment process knows it is very lengthy process and often requires many hurdles to get through.

Pope Francis has decentralized most of the process to the local Bishop/Diocese. In short, the length of the process will be shorter and the decision will be made sooner.

If more questions are needed, I would love to help anyone understand this better. Better yet, I'd love to help anyone consider and/or go through the annulment process.

Ministry Schedule

OCTOBER 26TH & 27TH

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

S: Michael Happ / Sestaks / Julie Baquet

GREET: Rick & Misty Fowler Family

LECTOR: Betty Roebuck

EM: Riley Fowler / Sherry Oakley

SERVE: Sophia Hoppes / Reagan & Brogan Grabowski

SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik

GREET: Kirk & Crissy Bader / Wyatt Bader / Bob Dvorak

LECTOR: Kathy Hahn

EM: Chad Bauder / Connie Becker / Crissy Bader

SERVE: Hallie Bauder / Laityn & Lenna Poss

SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

S: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet

GREET: 5th Grade Class

LECTOR: 5th Grade Class

EM: Tina Headrick / Glen & Michele Killion / Rich & Marlene Kosmicki

SERVE: Braxton & Brody Headrick

This Week's Schedule

Monday, October 21

No Daily Mass

Women's Holy Hour 7pm (SPP)

Tuesday, October 22

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: †Linda Simmons

By Pat & Sandi Liegl

Wednesday, October 23

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: Dedic Family

By Tony & Tammy Morrow Family

Religious Ed. 5th-11th 7pm (PLC classrooms)

RCIA Class (PLC Conference Room)

Thursday, October 24

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: †Dorothy Bonczynski

By Family

Friday, October 25

Daily Mass 9:00am (Brookfield)

Intention: †Marge Wozniak

By Terry & Teresa Gorecki

Saturday, October 26

Reconciliation 4:30pm (SPP)

Weekend Mass 5:00pm (SPP)

Intention: †John & †Rose Koperski

By Tom & Sally Mudloff & Family and the John Koperski Family

Sunday, October 27

Weekend Mass 8:00am (SPP)

Intention: †Jack & †Janeete Novakowski

By Family

Religious Ed. Pre-4th 9am (PLC Classrooms)

Weekend Mass 10:00am (SPP)

Intention: People of the Parishes



ALL
SAINTS'
DAY
November 1

Please sign up in the back of Church if you are able to help with
HOLY DAY MASS:
October 31, Vigil Mass 5:30pm SPP
November 1, Mass 7am & 12:05pm SPP

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

“Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet” Matthew 22:9

In his 2024 World Mission Sunday message, which celebrates missionaries and their work, Pope Francis reflects on the Gospel parable of the Wedding Banquet, where the king tells his servants “Go therefore to the thoroughfares and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find”. The invitation to the banquet is linked to the Eucharistic table, where believers share the Body and Blood of Christ, anticipating the final banquet. The Holy Father writes, *Here it should be remembered that breaking our material bread with the hungry in the name of Christ is already a work of Christian mission. How much more so is the breaking of the Eucharistic bread which is Christ himself, a work of mission par excellence, since the Eucharist is the source and summit of the life and mission of the Church.*

Tri-Parish Events & News

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Join us Monday - Thursday 9am SPP

RESPECT LIFE

Please take time to understand the true dangers in the Pro-Abortion Ballot Initiative 439, do not trust the intentionally misleading TV ads. Use this week's hand out to help you & others understand why NEBRASKA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE encourages us to Vote for 434 & Vote against 439. Please contact our Pro-Life Coordinator, Ann Rief, if you would like more information (308-380-0619).

Eternal Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Budzinski, formerly of St. Paul, who passed away October 10, 2024. Memorial Services were October 16, 2024 at Peter's Funeral Home. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

DIOCESAN APPEAL

Anyone willing to share their witness talk of how the appeal has affected them please contact Father Vince.

HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

Per our Bishop, a special collection will be taken next weekend for Hurricane relief efforts. You may also donate directly on-line at <https://catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

FATHER JIM SICHKO

Celebrating Mass with us November 2nd & 3rd. Retreat: 60 Minutes for Jesus - Sunday to Tuesday, Nov. 3rd to 5th, 7:00pm at SPP Church.

Eternal Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Marian Potts, of St. Paul, who passed away October 12, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial was October 17, 2024 at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

Area Events & News

OLD GOSPEL HOUR HYMN SING Informal Event

Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 3pm
Grace Baptist Church
123 9th Street, St. Paul

All are welcome to come enjoy an afternoon of singing. Prizes will be given out. Refreshments & a sweet treat will be served after singing. More info: www.stpaulgrace.org

GRAND ISLAND DEANERY 2024 Fall Gathering

Council of Catholic Women
Friday, November 8, 8:30am at
Blessed Sacrament in Grand Island
518 W State Street
Breakfast, Lunch, & Mass - cost \$10
All Women please come for a morning of prayer and fellowship.

HOLY SMOKE

Thank you to all who attended the Holy Smoke Cook Off. We had 7 teams from surrounding communities and a couple from our Parish. A special thanks to the handful of volunteers, we appreciated the help! Kerry & Heidi Townsend

JUNK JAUNT FOOD STAND

The CCW and Catholic Daughter's Junk Jaunt Food Stand at the Fairgrounds was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who contributed food and/or time!! A total of \$2,000 was applied to the new tables for the Parish Center. Thanks again!



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network
UNITED STATES

OCTOBER Prayer Intention

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & OSV Online Giving

October 13, 2024

The Lord's Portion Farwell & Elba

St. Anthony (Bazaar \$55)	\$265.00
St. Joseph Church	\$140.00

The Lord's Portion Sts. Peter & Paul

Actual General Fund	\$2685.00
OSV On-Line General Fund	\$426.00
Parish Life Center	\$332.00
Maintenance	\$10.00
Restoring Our Father's House	\$580.00

October 2024 Totals

Monthly Budget	\$20000.00
Actual General Fund	\$6300.00
Online General Fund	\$1867.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$11833.00

Thank you for your continued support!

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