



Howard County Catholics

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

May 11, 2025

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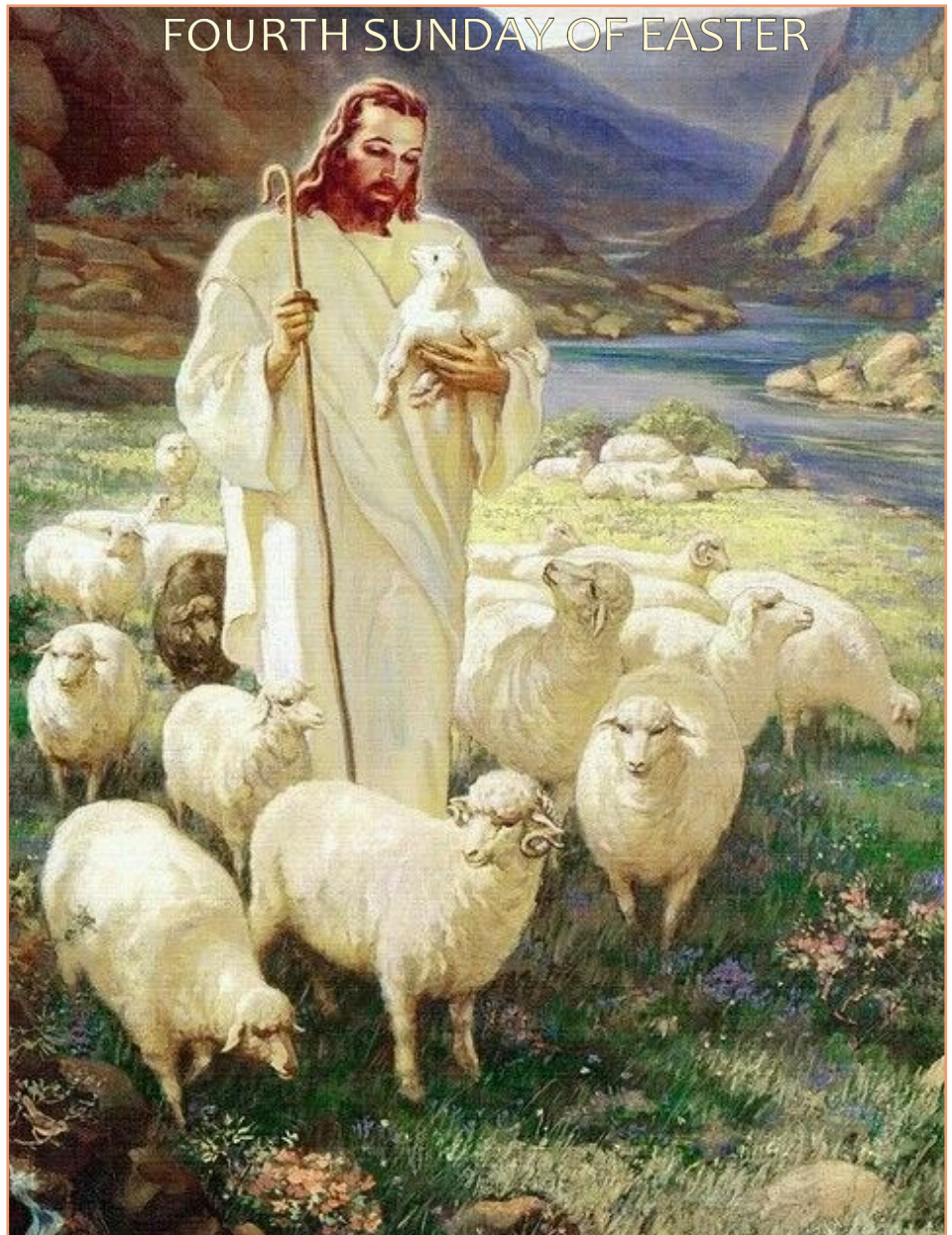
Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am SPP
Friday 9:00am -
at Matelyn/Brookfield

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30pm or
by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office
(308) 754-4002



Sts. Peter & Paul
713 Elm Street
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Saturday Mass 5:00PM
Sunday Mass 8AM & 10AM

St. Anthony
103 Kearns 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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Transitions and New Beginnings

Life is bustling with activity at the moment. Spring has arrived, and summer is just around the corner. We witness high school and college graduates bidding farewell to the known and gearing up for exciting new journeys. The Church is also experiencing change as we say goodbye to Pope Francis and prepare to welcome a new leader for the Catholic Church.

Reflecting on these shifts can feel a bit daunting. I appreciate stability and the comfort of familiarity. However, as Christians, we are encouraged to embrace the changes life brings. We may not always grasp or desire these changes, but we can take comfort in knowing that the Lord Jesus is with us during these transitional times. Just like the apostles who navigated their uncertain future, we too must approach our own journeys with courage and unwavering determination. While it's essential to honor our past, it's equally vital to step boldly into the new adventures that await us!

Do not worry about the future, for with God by our side, we have no reason to fear, regardless of the transitions we face in life. As we pursue God and follow Jesus Christ in this imperfect world, we acknowledge that the journey may be challenging, as described in Matthew 7:14: 'for the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life.' However, the rewards are invaluable. We will undoubtedly experience moments of joy and blessings in our relationship with God, yet we must also contend with the challenges posed by the world, our own desires, and the adversary.

Like Jesus, we will encounter difficulties and sorrow, facing 'many dangers, toils, and snares.' Our path will include trials and tests, and there may be times of spiritual dryness, tragedies, or periods when God seems distant and our prayers feel unanswered. We might endure persecution and face strong temptations. Nevertheless, God promises to be with us and guide us through every situation. He assures us, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you' (Heb. 13:5), and His faithfulness will support us through all challenges. He will use life's hardships to shape us more into the likeness of His Son (Rom. 8:28-29). Wishing you a week filled with His love and life.

Jr. Vincent L. Pasoma

Ministry Schedule

MAY 17TH & 18TH

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

S: Michael Happ / Sestaks / Julie Baquet

GREET: Liana Wroblewski /
Leona Leth, Cindy Wilson

LECTOR: Neal Hahn

EM: Becky Knox / Sherri Oakley

S: Brogan & Reagan Grabowski

SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik

GREET: Chad & Krista Bauder
Family

LECTOR: Jalee Haggerty

EM: Tonya Anderson / Chad Bauder

S: Reed Coufal / Archer & Owen
Shotkoski

SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Russ Kosmicki/Bill Gregoski

GREET: Brandon & Tina Headrick
Family

LECTOR: Marlene Kosmicki

EM: Kevin & Tami Reilly / Matt Rief /
Todd Peters

SERVE: Blake Reilly / Braxton &
Brody Headrick

This Week's Schedule

Monday, May 12

No Daily Mass

Rosary 9am (SPP)

Tuesday, May 13

Communion Service 8:30am

Rosary 9am (SPP)

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm (PLC)

Wednesday, May 14

Rosary 11:30am (SPP)

Communion Service 12:05pm (SPP)

CCW Meeting 6pm (Parish Life Center)

Thursday, May 15

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: for Rain

Rosary 9am (SPP)

Friday, May 16

Communion Service 9:00am (Matelyn)

Saturday, May 17

Reconciliation 4:30pm (SPP)

Weekend Mass 5:00pm (SPP)

Intention: †Jeff Welch

By Family

Weekend Mass 6:30pm (SJ)

Intention: †Ardath & †Henry Kusek
& Family By Nancy Psota

Sunday, May 18

Weekend Mass 8:00am (SPP)

Intention: People of the Parishes

Weekend Mass 10:00am (SPP)

Intention: †Howard L. Jensen
By Vivian Jensen & Family



Please email or call
bulletin information in to
the Parish Office by noon
on Wednesdays. *Thank You!*



OUR NEW TABERNACLE

A new "dwelling place" for the "holy of holies", Jesus present in the Eucharist, what a precious part of our place of worship! Our gratitude to Ron Sack for finding & acquiring this tabernacle from the soon to be demolished St. Joseph's Hospital in Concordia, KS. A lengthy process of replating the bronze face took place in Omaha before it came to our Parish last month. Many thanks for the time & great talents of Mark & Mary Jo Serbousek, who built the new wooden frame & created the new detailed inner panels. Truly a special gift to our Parish!

Tri-Parish Events & News

IMPORTANT KNIGHTS MEETING

Knights of Columbus 1918 - Hope you read your letter from the Grand Knight... May 13, 2025 at 7pm is an extremely important meeting. Please come! We hope you can help make many essential changes to keep our Council going. Chuck Schmid

PHIL LUKASIEWICZ'S DIACONATE

ORDINATION will be Friday, May 30, 5:00pm at St. Mary's Cathedral, Grand Island. With several deacons being ordained, there will be limited seating so come early to ensure a seat.

DEACON PHIL'S FIRST MASS

Sunday, June 1st, 11:30am at St. Anthony's in Farwell! All are welcome to the meal to follow. (This will serve as St. Anthony's June Mass.)

April 4th Fish Fry Proceeds

Thank you to all that helped make our final Fish Fry a big success! A \$2,353.36 profit goes towards supporting our Religious Education program - specifically helps make Totus Tuus possible at our Parish!

DEDICATION CELEBRATION

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the blessing of Sts. Peter & Paul's new Altar at the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, June 29. A celebration dinner will follow at the Parish Life Center.

TOTUS TUUS

Please put on your family schedule:

7th to 12th grade & recent high school graduates -

July 20 to 25 at 6:30 to 8:45pm,
Dinner will be provided!

1st to 6th grade (next school year)

July 21 to 24 at 9am to 2:30pm,
please plan to bring sack Lunch,
Friday is fun water day!

At Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church and Parish Life Center.
Watch for registration information - will be available soon!

Note from the Kitchen:

Thank you to all who have donated the wonderful salads & desserts for funerals & other functions at our Parish Hall! Please remember to stop by our kitchen to pick up your bowls & pans.

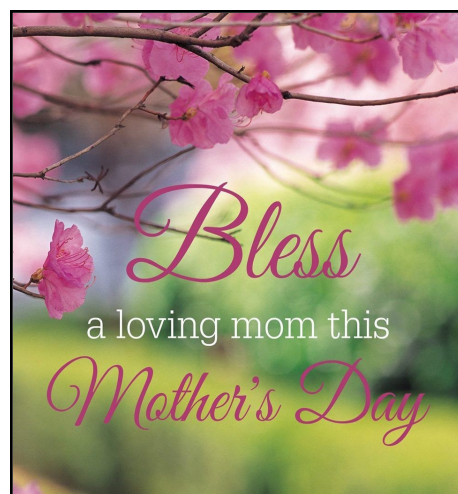
Area Events & News

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS ~ MAY 11, 2025

"Pilgrims of Hope: the Gift of Life"
Message of the Holy Father
"A vocation is a precious gift that God sows in our heart, a call to leave ourselves behind and embark on a journey of love and service."
Full message at : www.vatican.va

KOLACHE CLASS

Learn how to make kolaches at home at a kolache making demonstration.
Saturday, May 17 at 10:00am
St. Francis Hall - Ashton, NE
Class is free, a light lunch provided
Sponsored by
The Polish Heritage Center
Please call 308-379-1373 to register.



May is a month devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary

In the Catholic Church the month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary - Mother of God, symbolizing her role as the Queen of Heaven. This month is rich in devotions and traditions, including May Crowning and reciting the Rosary. All are welcome to join in praying the Rosary at Sts. Peter & Paul, days/times are listed in "This Week's Schedule" (bulletin page 2).

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & OSV Online Giving
April 28 - May 4, 2025

The Lord's Portion Farwell & Elba

St. Anthony Church	\$1065.00
St. Joseph	\$240.00

The Lord's Portion Sts. Peter & Paul

Actual General Fund	\$4127.10
OSV On-Line General Fund	\$801.00
Parish Life Center	\$135.00
Maintenance	\$70.00
Restoring Our Father's House	\$435.00

May Totals as of 5/4/25

Monthly Budget	\$20000.00
Actual General Fund	\$4127.10
Online General Fund	\$801.00
Monthly Surplus (Deficit)	\$15071.90

Special Collections

DIOCESE: CRS / Rice Bowl: \$761.77
DIOCESE: May 18 - Catholic Communications

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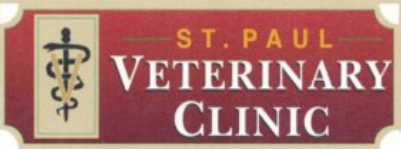
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