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St. Patrick Catholic Church

East 4th and F Street

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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. To Register please call at 308-345-6734 or stop by the rectory on 4th street.

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY: Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00AM,
4:00 PM (in Spanish)

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

KINSHIP POINTE:
10:30 A.M. Wednesday

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday: 6:30—6:40 am

Saturdays: 4:00 - 5:30 pm and after 6:00 pm Mass.

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 for 2025-26: \$2,960 per student. Diocesan technology fee of \$440.00 per student. Tuition assistance available. Please log on to your FACTS account to set up your payment plan <https://online.factsmtg.com/signin/43QNN>.

If you are new to our school or have any questions, please contact the St. Patrick School Office (308-345-4546) for assistance. School offers: Band, Vocal Music, Art, Athletics, Student Council, Hot Lunch, Advanced Math, & Literature.

LITTLE KNIGHTS PRESCHOOL (345-4546): *Jill Koenig, Teacher.* 612 East 3rd St. Preschool: Tues & Thurs 9-11:15 am; 3-Day Pre-K: Mon -Wed-Fri, 9-11:15 am; 4-day Pre-K: Mon, Tues, Th & Fri: 1-3:15pm.

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, contact the rectory at 345-6734.

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

LEGION OF MARY: *Carol Lashley:* 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.

FERTILITY CARE INSTRUCTOR: Kate Siegfried RN, BSN, FCP-

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**.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS FOR CHRIST: Phone Cassie Spencer 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, Jan 12**

6:45 am.....Claude & Delores Cappel+
 8:00 am.....Rod Gaston+
 3:00 pm.....Spanish Mass

Tuesday, Jan 13

6:45 am.....Carol Liess+
 8:00 am.....Anna Montey+

Wednesday, Jan 14

6:45 am.....Mark & Freda Schaaf+
 8:00 am.....Catherine Amador+

Thursday, Jan 15

6:45 am.....Gib Stewart+
 8:00 am.....Loren & Ellen Griffin
 6:30 pm.....Spanish Mass (Hayes Center)

Friday, Jan 16

6:45 am.....Cassie Spencer
 8:00 am.....Beverly Haag+
 3:00 pm.....Spanish Mass

Saturday, Jan 17

8:00am.....L/D Bernard & Helen Colling Family
 6:00 pm.....Jack & Sharon Lytle+

SUNDAY MASSES:**Sunday, Jan 18**

7:30 amScott Malleck+
 9:00 amJason & Ann Repass
 11:00 amRobert Huffman
 4:00 pmSpanish Mass

Iglesia de San Patricio (409 Calle F) Padre Bernard Lorenz- (308) 414-1195

Confesiones: antes de la Santa Misa.

MISSIONS:**ST. ANN CHURCH****Sunday, Jan 18**

8:00 am.....For Our Parishioners

SACRED HEART CHURCH**Sunday, Jan 18**

10:00 amDelores Lawson+

PRAYER CHAIN: 340-7946

(Call between 8 & 8:30 am)

Online Giving— visit www.stpatsmccook.com and follow the link to Our Sunday Visitor. Easy to register & flexible contribution options.

Contributions: **01/04/2026**

St. Ann

Weekly \$ 117.00

St. Patrick:

Weekly: \$ 9,192.05

Online: \$ 7,372.00

Total to St. Pats: \$ 16,564.05

Sacred Heart

Weekly \$ 440.00

Your contributions to St. Patrick, St. Ann and Sacred Heart parishes are needed and greatly appreciated!

ST. PATRICK PARISH**Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026**

Collections received since July 1, 2025: \$ 250,972.48

Misc. Donations year to date: \$ 35,446.00

(Budgeted amount for fiscal year: \$550,000.00)

Please pray for the souls of: Don Roberts, Dotti Scellin, Dr. Richard Walsh (Fr. Tom Walsh's Dad), Ginny Bortner & Roy Remington.

Legion of Mary: The Rosary is my favorite prayer. St. John Paul II

Hospitalizations: Remember if you are admitted to the hospital, you must identify yourself as Catholic to ensure that we will know to visit. We can't visit if we don't know you are there. Thank You!!

Weekly Holy Hour: Holy Hour on Monday Jan 12th at 7:00 pm. The hour includes the rosary, quiet reflection time, confession, litany to St. Patrick, litany for rain and night prayer, finishing with benediction. Please join us to prepare ourselves for the coming of Our Lord.

Mass Intentions: Please place mass requests in the collection or the rectory drop box. Please make checks to St. Patrick, include your name & phone number in case clarification is needed. Usual donation is \$10. Masses are scheduled as they come in. Masses are currently 5-6 months out.

Prayers for our Seminarians: Please pray for Henry Stuhr. He is in his Propaedeutic year at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. He is from St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo.

2026 G.I.F.T. Gala: The G.I.F.T. Gala has secured 245 seats to the Gala with 30 seats remaining. Please call Shannon 308-345-8871 to secure your seat for this year's Gala. The theme this year is Our Lady of Guadalupe.

2025 Contribution Statements: If you would like a copy of your 2025 Contribution Statement please contact the rectory.

Confessions: 6:30 am Monday -Friday & Sat. 4:00-5:30 pm, & after 6 pm Mass in the church, or call rectory for an appointment.

CCD Classes: Classes resume on Wed Jan. 7.

CYO Classes: Classes resume on Wed Jan. 7. Classes will meet at church for a speaker and presentation.

School News: Tues Jan 13th Home Girls Basketball vs. Southwest 2pm; Jan 14th 2:00pm dismissal.

Next week's Mass Schedule: Jan 17/18:

	Lectors:	Acolytes:
Sat. eve	M. Graff	R. Jacobs/Hoins
7:30 am	T. Kohmetscher	Liess/Yager
9:00 am	C Siegfried	M. Eiler/Jordan
11:00 am	J.P. Kain	Broz/Wilson

Mark your Calendars:

Game Feed '26— Feb. 14

G.I.F.T Gala Sip n See Mar. 13th

St. Patrick's G.I.F.T. Gala — March 14, 2026

The St. Patrick Prayer Chain: We are looking for new members that would like to participate in the Parish Prayer Chain. This is a very important activity for our parish as we all need prayers at one time or another. For more information please call 308-340-7946.

Lucky Irish Calendar Winners-2025:

Dec 29 Evan Mai
Dec 30 Liz Knedlik
Dec 31 Gregory Highberger

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly : Call 402-786-2705, or see goodcounselretreat.org to check out the new list of retreat options that are coming up in January.

Friends of Christ in the Midst of the World — Men's Retreat
January 16–18, 2026 | With Bishop Robert Finn

The Joy of Forgiveness Retreat -Jan 24–25, 2026
A 2-day retreat for men and women with Sandy Hoenig,

LDCCW Winter Symposium - Jan. 30–31, 2026
A two-day gathering for women of all ages

Pope's Intention for January: Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Men's Prayer Group: "That Man is You" will meet this Sunday Jan. 11th at @ 8:00 pm in the school library. Hope to see you there.

Women at the Well: Groups meet Wed from 6:30-7:30a.m.; Wed. evening from 7-8 p.m. or Sunday evening from 6:30-7:30p.m. @ St. Pats school library. All Women are welcome. Bring your bible, a pen and a journal. Contact Kate Siegfried (620) 272-7641 or Amanda Peterson (308) 340-1451 with any questions.

World Marriage Encounter Weekend: Transform your marriage and strengthen your commitment.
Marriage encounter weekend is scheduled for February 14-16 in Lincoln, NE. Call/Text 402-370-5839
Marriage Encounter Experience At North American Martyrs Church Feb. 20-22 in Lincoln, NE "Communication enhancing Marriage" Register right-away to save a place.
For more information or dates please call or text Gary & Brenda Granger at 402-370-5839 or visit www.wwme.org.

Catholic Social Services: We have a CSS Branch in the area to provide services to those in need. Please contact Jennifer Hinze at 531-484-3566 or jhinze@csshope.org.

Game Feed News: Game Feed Prep is scheduled for Jan. 16th at 4:00pm. A second prep time is set for Sat. Jan 31st at 9:00 am. There is also a sign up sheet in the back of church for needed supplies and brownies and rhubarb bars. Please contact Father Kimminau for rhubarb for the bars. More info to follow. Please consider giving of your time for prep or a donation of supplies. This is a good fundraiser for our parish.

St. Theresa Circle: St. Theresa's Circle will meet on Wed. Jan 14th at the Senior Center with lunch at 11:30 and the meeting starting at 12:30.

Attention hunters: We are in need of some more wild game for this year's event. We are looking in particular for rabbit, deer hearts and Canada geese. If you would like to help me out in this area please call rectory or drop game at the cooler inside the patio fence by the garage of the rectory.

Advanced table sales are available for the game feed...
Contact Fr. Kimminau if you would like to purchase a table.

Table of 8—\$350. w/ drink tickets (8)

Fair Booth and Fall Festival: We are looking for donations of beef for the Fair Booth and Fall Festival coming up this summer. Please keep us in mind in your future planning and generous support of the parish.

Bulletin Advertising: We currently have two spots open on the bulletin for advertising. If you are interested in placing an ad for your business please contact the rectory for details.

Blessing of the Threshold

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Sacred is this threshold of our home and holy is this door. This the meeting place of friend, neighbor, and stranger. May it be a bridge for our comings and goings. Whenever we stand in its sacred circle, may our eyes be granted new vision, so that we can see in friend or stranger the God of ten thousand disguises.

May this threshold be a sacred space where we come to celebrate the Sacrament of Hospitality. May the spirits of evil never cross this threshold, and may the Name of the All-Holy-One protect our home from harm. May God's angels stand guard at the right and the left of this opening to grace our comings and goings.

May we who live in this home guard the sacredness of this doorway. May our hearts be always alert to the danger of falseness and pretense as we greet those who come to our door. Let our affection be graced with honesty and reverence, and may the oil of truth burn in the lamp of our eyes. Help us to remember that our ancestors were strangers and exiles in Egypt, that Joseph and Mary came knocking at a door like this, weary and in search of kindness. May we receive all at this door as Godly guests.

May the blessing of God, and peace and grace of the All-Holy-One, surround this threshold and rest upon all who shall pass across it.

Amen

(blessed chalk is available by main entrance of the Church)



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