

COLLECTION – Sep 28 Env \$959; Plate \$72; Votive \$49; Painting \$2000; Lit \$3; CCD \$20; Grain Donation \$3841= \$6944

Ministry Schedule	Acolyte	Lector	Server
Sat Oct 11	Tom Davidson	Joellyn Davidson	
Sun Oct 12	Rick Teel	Rick McConville	Braxton/Camden
Sat Oct 18	Dave McConville	Ondrea McConville	
Sun Oct 19	Steve Conroy	Dennis McConville	Brody/Joseph
Sat Oct 25	Herb Ryan	Skip Marsh	
Sun Oct 26	Tim Cornwell	Denise McConville	Gage/Russel

Date	Servers of Coffee and Rolls		Roll Runner
Oct 12	Bill/Steph Haag	Roger Buschkoetter	Gale/Claudia
Oct 19	Paul/Debbie Dolan	Steve/Shari Haag	Dick/Jane
Oct 26	Marsha Sughroue	Sam/Sadie Halloran	Sam/Sadie

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that, believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity

Prayer Intentions: Jeanine Quigley, Bob Bortner

(To add or remove someone from this list please call the rectory at 364-2428 or email a notice to st.catherine.church@hotmail.com. To add someone to the calling prayer chain, you can call or email Steph Neseth at 692-3408 or snabc@kdsi.net.

Names will be left on the list for 30 days unless we are notified otherwise.

Sisters Vocation Prayer: Please pray for new entrants in Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses, Sr. Philomena of Our Lady of Sorrows and Sr. Mary Elizabeth of the Trinity

Seminarian Vocation Prayer: Please pray for Seminarians, Thomas Rajewski and Josiah Benal

“And the Apostles said to the Lord, increase our faith.” Learn how to increase your faith through your spousal relationship on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Feb. 20-22, 2026, Lincoln, NE; Sept. 18-20, 2026, Grand Island, NE For questions, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839 Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter

Meetings and Events

Oct 5 – Life Chain Indianola 2-3pm
Oct 11-12 – Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Weekend
Oct 12 – St. Pat’s Fall Festival
Oct 24-25 – The Power of a Praying Mother @ St. Pat’s in McCook

50 Days for 50 States: LDCCW is inviting everyone to participate in a special time of prayer for our Nation. We will begin on September 13, 2025 concluding November 1,2025. Each day during these 50 days a different State will be offered up in prayer. Let us storm the heavens on behalf of our Nation. God promised in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "and if the people, upon whom My name has been pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek My presence and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and revive their land."There are hand outs available in the back with pray suggestions and a list of the State by weeks.
Week Four: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 to Sunday, October 11th, 2025
Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire

SAVE THE DATES! Magnificat of Lincoln is sponsoring "In The Upper Room - a Holy Hour for Priests" on Thursday, October 16 7-8 p.m. in the Chapel at John XXIII. All are invited. The Holy Hour will include Exposition and Adoration, Benediction, Group Rosary led by Priest's mothers, Meditation, and silent prayer. The Chapel is Handicap Accessible through the east doors. **Magnificat's next Prayer Meal is on Saturday Morning, 9:30 a.m. to noon, November 22, Hillcrest Country Club with Father James Morin as our Speaker!** Watch your bulletin and the Southern Nebraska Register for further details and how to Register for Magnificat's Prayer Meal. (no registration necessary for the Holy Hour, only the Prayer Meal) For more information about Magnificat, contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396.

Make your reservations by October 11 for the Seven Sisters Apostolate Day of Renewal—”The Power of Prayer”! Space is limited to 120. Mail your \$15 check payable to: **Seven Sisters Apostolate, C/O Pat Lanik, 354 W Chancellor, Lincoln, NE 68521.** A "free will offering" will be taken the day of for St Gregory the Great Seminary and the use of their facilities, stipends for Priests assisting us, refreshments, etc. Please contact Diocesan Coordinator Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396 with questions.

St. Pat's will have their Fall Festival October 12th. Our Altar Society will again put together a basket for them the sell. If you want to add any kind of a homemade item food, sewn, cloth or wooden please leave it at the back of church by Wednesday Oct. 8th. Deb Dolan will pick the items up and make the basket.Thank You for your generosity.

Pastor’s Notes:

Please join us for the Life Chain, a prayerful witness along the highway from 2-3 P.M. today. After all the legal and political battles that have taken place during the last fifty years or more, we are left with the greatest and most potent weapon, prayer—we pray for our nation and our people silently and solemnly, as we seek to reaffirm what used to be a basic presumption in our American nation—the right to life. The unborn child is a separate, human being (as we used to hear so often—“follow the science!”). This is only the tip of the iceberg, as all human rights for all human beings are in danger of being relativized—Nazi Germany and Stalinist Russia and Maoist China are among the totalitarian regimes that prove that point. God is the Source of life and of the dignity of the human person. Respect Life Sunday is a reminder to us of that fundamental truth. Do not forget!

Speaking of Respect Life Sunday, it is a fitting time to speak of the Fifth Commandment, about not killing. Under this commandment would be included a prohibition against murder, abortion, mercy killing (euthanasia), suicide, self-mutilation (vasectomy, tubal ligation, etc.), risking one’s life without sufficient reason, excessive eating or drinking (gluttony), abuse of the body and mind by drugs or alcohol. Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and, strictly speaking, not our own. We belong, by our Baptism, to God, and we have the obligation to cherish not only the bodies and persons of others, but our own as well. To participate in medical experiments with informed consent, or to donate organs can be morally acceptable, and, although burial is the traditional way to show a belief in the resurrection of the body (including burial at sea), cremation is an option if that belief in the resurrection of the body is still acknowledged— but that is why scattering remains or holding onto them is not usually a good idea.

What about self-defense? We certainly have the right to defend ourselves against unjust aggression, and certainly to defend our loved ones as well. On a larger scale, this has traditionally been the reasoning for a “just war” (and World War II would be a prime example), when others seek to impose evil on innocents—St. Augustine is the first and best teacher about these principles. Military service is not only honorable, but also necessary given human conditions. This is also the only possible justification for capital punishment (self-defense)—not revenge or retribution—but, as the Catechism teaches, the conditions for it seem not to exist today. More next week!

St. Catherine’s Catholic Parish

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Online Giving: <https://www.osvhub.com/stcatherineindianola/funds> (new address)
Parish Hall 308-364-2228

Mass Schedule: Sat 5pm Sun 9am
Confessions: Sat 3:30-4:30pm Sun 8:15-8:45 or on request

Parish Council Members: Skip Marsh, Steve Conroy, Janet Cornwell, Kyle Teel, Rick McConville, Roger Buschkoetter, Lloyd Ogorzolka and Nanci Stritt.

Altar Society, meets 2nd Sun, 10:15 am, Knights of Columbus, meets 2nd Sun, 10:15 am
Misa, Domingo- 4:00pm, Iglesia de San Patricio, McCook Fr Lorenz 308-414-1195
Weddings - Call 8 months in advance (*Engaged Encounter weekend and Fertility Care required*)
Fertility Care Instructors: McCook Kate Siegfried, 345-5812
ABC Pregnancy Help Center, McCook- 308-350-0126
Grief Support Group (Community Hospital, McCook) 308-344-2650.
Newcomers: If you have moved into our parish, please register by filling out a form in back of Church, or call the rectory at 308-364-2428.

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 5th 2025

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Sat.	10/04	5:00pm	People of the parish.
Sun.	10/05	9:00am	Beverly Haag +
Mon.	10/06	7:30am	St. Catherine parish FD +
Tues.	10/07	7:30am	Paul Newberry +
Wed.	10/08	6:30pm	Donna Stritt Kraszewski +
Thurs.	10/09	7:30am	Lost sheep
Fri.	10/10	7:30am	Lord Family L&D
Sat.	10/11	5:00pm	Paul Newberry +
Sun.	10/12	9:00am	People of the parish

