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Saturday Vigil: 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday Mass:** 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m. **Weekday Mass:** 6:30 a.m. Mon-Fri .8:00 a.m.

Mon-Sat and 5:30 p.m. Thursday **Holy Days:** Please check bulletin

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**Baptisms:** Those expecting a baby should contact the rectory 1-4 months before the baby is born for baptismal instructions

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**RCIA:** Classes are held on Mondays in Finigan Hall at 7 p.m.

**Religious Education Classes:** Grades K-8. Wednesdays 5:15-6:30 p.m. during school year

**New Parishioners:** Pick up a form at the rectory

**Altar Society:** First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Finnigan Hall

**Legion of Mary:** Thursday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall Kathy Kastl 402-435-2242

Home & School: Tonia Wasser 402-416-0069

Knights of Columbus: First Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall Grand Knight Jim Bunch 402-681-9344 or Kofc13576@gmail.com

**St. Vincent de Paul:** Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall

**FCSLA:** Second Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m., Youth Council after 11:30 Mass.

**God Teens:** Meet Wednesday nights 7:00 p.m., for more information call 402-466-2752

**Eucharistic Adoration Program:** Mary Doher, 402-499-8665

The Baptism of Jesus January 9, 2022



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# From the Pastor's Desk

Fr. Troy Schweiger
January 9, 2022

Through the hard work of the painter the decorative art on the pendentives in the main level and now the ornamentation of the space below the windows in the clerestory level is nearing completion. Questions have arisen as to the meaning of the figures on the north side. During the Romanesque Period from 1000 AD to 1300 AD, it was common to see a depiction of the Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John with their correlating attribute of the Angel, Lion, Ox and Eagle, respectively, inside church architecture. These attributes are frequently portrayed winged and with a halo expressing their divinity. When the Four Evangelists appear together, they are called the Tetramorph. These symbols are taken first from the Prophet Ezekiel (1:1-21):

"In the 30th year, on the fifth day of the fourth month, while I was among the exiles by the river Chebar, the heavens opened, and I saw divine visions.... Within it were figures resembling four living creatures that looked like this: their form was human, but each had four faces and four wings, and their legs went straight down; the soles of their feet were round. They sparkled with a gleam like burnished bronze. Their faces were like this: each of the four had a face of a man, but on the right side was the face of a lion, and on the left side the face of an ox, and finally each had the face of an eagle...."

Also, in the Book of Revelation (4:6-8), we find a similar description:

Surrounding this throne were twenty-four other thrones upon which were seated twenty-four elders. . . The floor around the throne was like a sea of glass that was crystal-clear. At the very center, around the throne itself, stood four living creatures covered with eyes front and back. The first creature resembled a lion; the second, an ox; the third had the face of a man; while the fourth looked like an eagle in flight. . . .Day and night, without pause, they sing: "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, He who was, and who is, and who is to come!"

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EverGreene Architectural Arts design brief created for our new church. Our murals are meticulously chosen for style and content to compliment and to reflect the Romanesque Period.

Upon entering the nave on the right (south side) are the Evangelists and to left (north side) are their attributes directly across from one another. The association of the Gospel writer with the symbol goes back to St. Irenaeus in the second century. Located in the choir loft is St. Matthew. One of the Twelve Apostles and a tax collector named Levi, he was approached by Christ at Capernaum to follow Him. St. Matthew's special attribute is the winged man or angel. This is thought to be fitting, since his Gospel begins with Christ's ancestry emphasizing His humanity. "A family record of Jesus Christ, Son of David, son of Abraham" (Mt 1:1) — and His incarnation and birth: "Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about" (Mt 1:18).

St. Mark, the first Bishop of Antioch in modern day Turkey, was not one of the Twelve, but accompanied St. Paul and St. Peter on missionary expeditions. Mark's Gospel is said to be the personal narratives of St. Peter, who converted him to Christianity. His special attribute is the winged lion representing the nobility he places on Christ in his Gospel. St. Mark begins his gospel:

"Here begins the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In Isaiah the prophet it is written: 'I send my messenger before you to prepare your way: a herald's voice in the desert, crying, "Make ready the way of the Lord, clear Him a straight path.'" "The voice in the desert crying"

This reminds us of a lion's roar, and the prophetical spirit descending to earth reminds us of a "winged message."

St. Luke, a physician from Antioch, accompanied St. Paul to Rome. He is the author of two books of the Bible, his Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. St. Luke is the patron saint of painters and is often portrayed with a paint brush, like he is in our mural. His special attribute is the ox. In antiquity, an ox was a sacrificial animal often sacrificed in the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem and is said to reference the importance St. Luke placed on the priesthood of Christ. He begins his Gospel with the announcement of the birth of St. John the Baptizer to his father, the priest Zechariah, who was offering sacrifice in the Temple (Lk 1). He also includes the parable of the Prodigal Son, in which the fatted calf is slaughtered, not only to celebrate the younger son's return, but also to foreshadow the joy we must have in receiving reconciliation through our most merciful Savior who as Priest offered Himself in sacrifice to forgive our sins.

St. John, a fisherman from Galilee, was one of the first Disciples of Christ. He is sometimes called "John the Divine" or "Beloved of Christ" because he is identified as the one "whom Jesus loved." It is to St. John that Jesus entrusts his mother Mary at the foot of His Cross. St. John is the author of the Book of Revelation, the Gospel of John and three Epistles. The eagle is his special attribute because he soared aloft contemplating Christ's divinity. "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was in God's presence, and the Word was God. He was present to God in the beginning. Through Him all things came into being, and apart from Him nothing came to be" (Jn 1:1-3) The Gospel of St. John engages the reader with the most profound teachings of our Lord, such as the long discourses Jesus has with Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman, and the beautiful teachings on the Bread of Life and the Good Shepherd. Jesus, too, identified Himself as "the way, the truth, and the life," and anyone who embraces Him as such will rise to everlasting life with Him. St. John is customarily pictured near Christ or St. Peter and depicted youthful in appearance despite living past one hundred years.

The Pope's Intention for January is True human fraternity.

### Weekly Events Calendar Mon., Jan. 10 6:30 a.m. Mass Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. Mass Mon - Fri Tues., Jan. 11 9:30 a.m. Pray the Rosary at Planned Parenthood 10:00 a.m. Mass at Right to Life Center next to Women's Center Wed., Jan. 12 4:30-5:45 p.m. Wednesday at the Well 5:15-6:60 p.m. CCD classes 5:30 a.m. That Man Is You meeting Thur., Jan. 13 4:00 p.m. Legion of Mary 5:30 p.m. Mass 6:15 p.m. Lectio Divina after Mass Fri., Jan. 14 7:00 p.m. Pitch Tournament 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Church cleaning Sat., Jan. 15 6:30 p.m. Vigil Mass One Rose One Life and Pro Life Novena in Sun., Jan. 16 the bulletin

Praiseworthy is the inscription upon the banner that drapes across the Evangelists' attributes. "Te Deum Laudamus" translated from Latin meaning; God, we praise You. How grateful we are to be a part of this phase of our new home.

Next week I'll be describing the meaning of the decorative painting on the pendentives.

Have a great week! Fr. Troy Schweiger

Thank you to Mary Menebroker and crew for beautifully decorating our church for the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Current address: please make sure the rectory has your current address for sending out year end statements.

**Pitch Tournament:** Come for some fun on Friday, January 14 at 7 p.m. in St Patrick's gym. Couples \$15, singles \$10. (Must be 18 or older to play) For more information call 402-570-9294. Next tournament will be February 11.

**The Knights of Columbus** will have the Pro Life Novena prayer in the bulletin next weekend, January 15-16. Please pray with us for the Unborn and end to abortion.

One Rose One Life weekend is January 22-23. That weekend members of St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council will be collecting donations that support pro-life activities across our state. Next weekend January 15-16, there will be an information sheet in the church bulletin. It will list some of the ways and activities that donations to the One Rose One Life fund raiser support. An envelope will be attached to the information sheet. Use of One Rose One Life envelope is another way to support K of C pro-life activities. Please place the One Rose One Life envelope in a collection basket at any Mass. Thank you!

**Support Life Reminder** Nebraska Specialty License Plates (CHOOSE LIFE) need to be ordered 3 to 4 weeks in advance of renewal.

Thank you to everyone who made donations for Christmas flowers! Your generosity helped make the altar beautiful all for the glory of God. The Christ Child has a special place in his heart for you and your loved ones.

**Thank you St. Patrick Parishioners** from the St. Vincent de Paul Society for supporting us at Thanksgiving. Over \$3,100 was

contributed. This will help 10-15 families with rent, utilities and misc. Every dollar goes back to help those in need as we have no overhead costs. God Bless.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House and its staff give many thanks to our bed-making volunteers, who so generously have helped us to be a guiding light during dark times. Your service behind the scenes allows us to continue our mission of providing a place to encounter the Lord near Waverly. Pleased be assured of our prayers and grateful appreciation for your commitment. With my prayers and Christ's blessings - Fr. Gary Coulter, Director, Good Counsel Retreat House. St. Patrick's next date to help is February 22.

A big thank you to everyone who helped clean our spiritual home for the coming of Our Savior Jesus Christ! And thank you to all who helped this past year keep our spiritual home looking beautiful! If you are interested in becoming a leader please contact Eileen Widhalm at 402-786-2517 or aw90721@windstream.net. Some of our current cleaning leaders are in their 80's and it's time for our younger parishioners to take their place.

St. Patrick's Day Festival will be held Saturday, March 12, 2022. As always, the raffle is a big part of the success of the festival. We are in need of about 10 items to complete the raffle ticket. Prizes and donations valued at \$50 and up will be greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets need to be ready to be printed by the 2nd week in January. If you would like to donate an item or money, please contact or text Terry Ryan at 402-326-6871 or email <a href="mailto:Tranch1@hotmail.com">Tranch1@hotmail.com</a> Thank you! (corrected phone number)

Carnival Chairperson: The carnival for the St. Patrick Festival is looking for a new Chairperson for 2023. It is my hope that this person will help out this year and "learn the ropes" before taking it over next year. It's really not as complicated as it may sound because you will have a committee helping you. Being good at coordinating/taking charge is huge plus! Seeing the joy it brings the kids will be all the reward you need to want to do it again, year after year. Please contact Jill at 402-314-0077 if you would like more detailed info.

**Best Choice Labels:** the Altar Society collected 7000 UPC codes from the Best Choice products. This earned the church \$240. Thank you to all who clipped the UPC's and turned them in. It's amazing what you can earn from something that is going in the trash!

## **School News**

**The annual St. Patrick School Soup Supper** will be on Friday, February 4. More information will be coming in the next few weeks!

**Adoration Program** Below are the open time slots for St. Patrick's Eucharistic Adoration Program:

Sun: 1AM, 2AM, 3AM

Mon: 1AM, 7AM, 11AM, 11PM Tues: Midnight, 1AM, 2AM, 3AM

Wed: 11PM

Thurs: 2AM, 3AM, 7AM, 1 PM

Fri: 11 PM, Midnight, 1AM, 2AM, 4AM

Sat: 1AM, 2AM, 5 AM, 5PM, 7PM, 8PM, 11PM

If you are interested in spending one hour a week with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Mary Doher at medoher@hotmail.com; Text or call 402-499-8665.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

### Monday, January 10, 2022

6:30 a.m. Special Intentions

8:00 a.m. +Peg Sullivan

## Tuesday, January 11, 2022

6:30 a.m. +Helen Benes

8:00 a.m. +Nick Kempton, Susan Travis, Alva Kempton, Nan-

## cy Bolejack and Bertha Kempton Wednesday, January 12, 2022

6:30 a.m. +Richard Kempton

8:00 a.m. Bruce and Lea Ann Alt

## Thursday, January 13, 2022

6:30 a.m. Special Intentions

8:00 a.m. +Edward Hosek, Marcella Hosek, Joe and Minnie

Hosek

5:30 p.m. Those with Mental Illness

## Friday, January 14, 2022

6:30 a.m. Danny and Donna Kelty

8:00 a.m. Mrs. Carlson

## Saturday, January 15, 2022

8:00 a.m. +Warren and Clara Goff

6:30 p.m. +Catalina, Delores, Emilio and Rafael Garcia

## Sunday, January 16, 2022

7:00 a.m. +AP Becker, Marge Becker, John Mullen, Margie

Mullen, Pius Becker, Agatha Becker and 3 baby Beckers

8:30 a.m. +Del Orender

10:00 a.m. The Poor Souls in Purgatory

11:30 a.m. People of St. Patrick

## Families responsible for church cleaning are listed below.

At least one member from each family should be present to assist after the 8:00 a.m. Saturday Mass; about 8:30 a.m. If someone from each family comes, it should take no more than one hour. Thank you!

## Saturday, January 15, 2022

- 1. Kira Martin
- 2. Ryan and Heather Martindale
- 3. James and Margaret Martinosky
- 4. Daniel and Debra Anne Masek
- 5. Kayla Masek
- 6. James and Teresa Matthews
- 7. Edward and Jacqueline May
- 8. Michael and Heather McBride
- 9. Elijah McCoppin
- 10. Linda and Jack McCormick

## Saturday, January 22, 2022

- 1. Mitchell and Tanya McCoy
- 2. Bob and Mary Kay McDonald
- 3. Matthew and Manuela McDonald
- 4. Chris and Julie McGahan
- 5. Tom McMahon
- 6. Jeannie McManus
- 7. Brian and Christina McMichen
- 8. Mario and Ann Mendez
- 9. Kevin and Jennifer Menebroker
- 10. Larry and Mary Menebroker

The NAVEX hotline is an anonymous hotline to assist persons in making reports of misconduct in the Diocese of Lincoln. The hotline is not a substitute or alternative to calling law enforcement; it is intended to offer the maximum alternative to ensure any wrong in the Church is uncovered and reported. Nebraska law requires all suspicions of child abuse or neglect to be reported to law enforcement or DHHS.

NAVEX 1-844-527-0596

Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-652-1999

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator 402-613-2488

Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator 402-314-2899

## Acolyte/Lector/Server/Usher Schedule

15-Jan	6:30 p.m.	16-Jan	7:00 a.m.
Acolyte	Steve Smith	Acolyte	Erv Wemhoff
Lector	Aaron Delahoyde	Lector	Stan Fraas
Server	Dominic Delahoyde	Server	Ephraim Price
Server	Hunter Hansen	Server	Nevada Schweitzer
Usher	Harlan Leibel	Usher	Jim Wilkerson
Usher	Patrick Dority	Usher	Dan Tvrdy
16-Jan	8:30 a.m.	16-Jan	10:00 a.m.
Acolyte	Gary Taylor	Acolyte	Mike Hosek
Lector	Craig Arent	Lector	Vicki Hansen
Server	Andrew McGahan	Sever	Harrison Philson
Server	Nicholas McGahan	Server	Mathias Philson
Usher	Ron Voboril	Usher	Richard Hosek
Usher		Usher	Jim Petrzilka
16-Jan	11:30 a.m.	Communion Calls	
Acolyte	David Wilson	Scheduled At This Time	
Lector	Steve Bieber	After 8:30 a.m. Mass	
Server	Theo Kastl	Pyx 1: Mike Long	
Server	Ashton Keller	Pyx 2: Jeff Boettcher	
Usher	Ted Kastl	After 10:00 a.m. Mass	
Usher		Pyx 3: Chris Montgomery	

Please watch your email and the bulletin for the current Ministry schedule.

## **Other Opportunities**

Nebraska Walk for Life: Join thousands of pro-life Nebraskans for the 48th Annual Nebraska Walk for Life held on Saturday, January 29 beginning at 10:00 a.m. on the north steps of the State Capitol. Keynote speaker, Ashley Bratcher, the actress that played Abby Johnson in the movie "Unplanned," will share her own pro-life story at the Nebraska Student Union. Pro-life information tables, food and drink will be available. Bake Sale donations are needed; volunteers will be available curbside to collect baked goods from 8-9 a.m. in front of the Student Union the morning of the walk or call 402-438-4802 to make arrangements. Mass is at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 14th and K Street, 9:00 a.m.

**Pius X High School will host an open house** at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7 for eighth-grade students, incoming upperclassmen, and their parents/guardians. Students at Pius X can choose from more than 100+ courses in 13 academic departments. This includes 10 advanced placement courses. Students start taking electives their first year to explore their interests, while gaining a core knowledge from quality, faith-filled teachers. Learn more at PiusX.net/explore.

Please Pray for all the men and women discerning a religious vocation. May God guide them on their journey.





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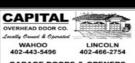
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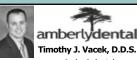
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