



# St. Patrick's

## NORTH PLATTE



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Parish Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

Mass Schedule  
Saturday: 5:30pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday 7am

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Tuesday-Friday at 6:30am  
(Before 7am daily Mass)  
Saturday: 4:00-5:00pm or  
by appointment

### March 1, 2026 Weekly Schedule

- Tues., March 3rd:** 1:00pm - Prayer Blanket  
5:30pm - Council of Catholic Women
- Wed., March 4th:** 8:30am-10:30am - Blood Pressure & Blood Checks  
11:00am - Kidney Screening  
12:00pm - Anointing Mass and Luncheon  
2:00pm & 5:30pm - Bible Study  
6:00pm - Fully Alive Holy Hour
- Thurs., March 5th:** 1:00pm-8:00pm - Adoration  
3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Rosary  
6:00pm - Becoming Catholic  
7:30pm - Our Father's Plan Book Study
- Fri., March 6th:** 5:15pm - Stations of the Cross  
5:30pm - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry  
6:00pm - Spanish Stations of the Cross  
6:30pm - Spanish Healing Mass
- Sat., March 7th:** 8:00am-5pm - Spanish Retreat
- Sun., March 8th:** 8:00am-5:00pm - Spanish Retreat  
3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary  
5:00pm - Spanish Mass and Potluck

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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I want to warmly invite you to our Fully Alive Holy Hour on Wednesday, March 4th, from 6:00–8:00 PM. This special evening is designed to help us encounter Jesus in a deeper and more personal way. We will begin with an encouraging and faith-filled talk, followed by a time of Eucharistic Adoration with beautiful worship music led by invited musicians. Priests will be available for confessions, and our trained prayer teams will be ready to pray with anyone seeking healing, hope, or a fresh outpouring of God's grace.

Many wonder whether miracles still happen today. The truth is: Jesus still heals, restores, and makes us fully alive. Come and experience His presence in a powerful way. This event is open to youth and adults across our region—feel free to invite others, including those who may not be Catholic. We'll end the night with an ice cream social.

I hope to see you there!

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Finance Council: Lori Finney, Sean Condon, Larren Atkeson, Jordan Maassen, Karen Knisley, & Fr. Joe; Parish Council: Patrick Jacobson, Lauren Christensen, Tanner Struckman, Lisa Citta, Alex Arthur, Marissa Ramos, Courtney Long & Megan Bohlender



Schedule a meeting with Father!

*IN wisdom there is a kindly spirit which is firm, secure and tranquil ...-Wis 7:23*

REFLECTION. If we live in the Spirit, we will want what is best for others. We will be creative in finding ways to support and encourage them. When we wake up in the morning, one of our first thoughts should be how we can help others. When we speak about them, we should be sure that what we say is true, kind and helpful.

**PRAYER. Grant me a kindly spirit, Lord, so that I may reflect Your compassion for others.**



### Ladies of the Parish:

Lent is here and the Catholic Daughters are again doing Decadent Desserts at the Fish Fries. CDA is asking for everyone's help with the fish fries by: Donating baked goods, Making a monetary contribution, Volunteering at our table to sell our delicious desserts or Assisting with the 50/50 raffle. Please contact Mary Van Ert at church office, if you are able to assist. Any level of help you are able to provide will be truly appreciated. This is also a great opportunity to spend time with friends, enjoy fellowship and support our CDA mission.



Our next meeting will be held on March 7 at 10:00 AM at the Spiritual Life Center. For more information contact Lea Anne Ottis, Regent.

Following the Stations of the Cross on Friday March 20, you are invited to experience a rare opportunity to see a replica of the Shroud of Turin as part of a comprehensive presentation (6:30pm in the SLC) given

by a former St. Pat's grad, Jim Bertrand (1976). The Shroud's unique features and history will be shown in this high resolution ppt presentation and there will be time for questions afterwards. All are invited to take advantage of this unique opportunity to enhance your Lenten experience. The Shroud is for everyone because the Resurrection is for everyone.



# THEOLOGY ON TAP

YOUNG ADULTS AGES 21-45  
ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE  
IN FUN & FELLOWSHIP.

THE FIRST DRINK IS FREE!  
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- Martha Ministry**  
 March 3: Sheila Newland  
 March 5: Krystal Miller  
 March 10: Sami Wright  
 March 12: Janiece Smith  
 March 17: Dawn Erdman  
 March 19: Courtney Long  
 March 25: DiAnn Nichelson  
 March 26: Brooke Odean  
 March 31: Jessica Lawrence

**Happy BIRTHDAY**  
**March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Deacon Mark Lister turns 75!**

Let's shower him with cards and wish him many more birthday blessings.

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 FECHA: 6-7-8 DE MARZO 2026

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 Strengthen your mind,  
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For the 40 days of Lent:

- Walk or run at your own pace 1 mile a day
- Each day read 1 chapter of the Gospel of Mark and then Luke

*Strengthen your faith 1 mile at a time!*

*"With firm purpose you maintain peace; in peace, because of our trust in you."  
 Isaiah 26:3*

THE GLORY OF GOD IS MAN

# FULLY ALIVE

- ST. IRENAEUS

*a powerful evening of*  
**WORSHIP PRAYER ADORATION CONFESSION**

COME CLOSE TO JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH | 6:00PM-8:00PM**  
 ST. PATRICK'S PARISH HALL | 415 N CHESTNUT ST, NORTH PLATTE

Come join us for **FULLY ALIVE**, a powerful evening with Jesus in the Eucharist. Let your soul be fed and heart set ablaze through the Word, praise & worship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Prayer tours and Confession will be available. Fellowship & ice cream to follow.

# LENT

*"Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
 and renew a right spirit within me."  
 Psalm 51:10*

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**Spring Meeting**

# March 7th

**Holy Spirit Parish**

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 (308) 325-3153 or  
 echopelster@outlook.com by  
 3/4/2026

**\*\$20 Registration Fee**

# Summary from Parish Listening Sessions for St. Patrick Strategic Plan

## What are the best qualities of the parish that should not change?

- Welcoming, Friendly, and Vibrant Community
- Strong Catholic Identity, Tradition, and Reverence
- Robust Sacramental and Prayer Life
- Opportunities for Involvement and Ministry
- Strong Parish–School Partnership

## What are the top things we should work on in the next 5 years?

- Youth Engagement & Next-Generation Involvement
- Spiritual Growth, Discipleship & Faith Formation
- Evangelization, Outreach & Missionary Mindset
- Facilities, Maintenance & Infrastructure
- Stewardship, Fundraising & Financial Sustainability

## Where should we prioritize our money?

- Facilities, Maintenance & Safety
- Evangelization, Outreach & Missionary Efforts
- Youth, School & Next-Generation Investment
- Faith Formation, Religious Education & Leadership Development
- Communication, Stewardship & Engagement Infrastructure



## Averages from the Online Survey for the Strategic Plan

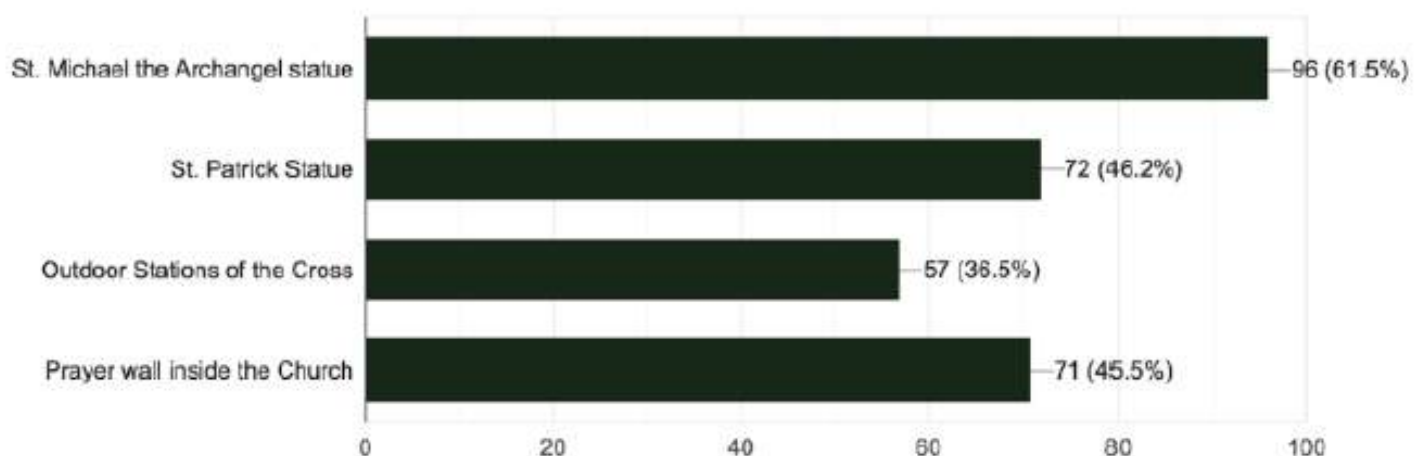
Please rate on a scale from 1-5 What is the importance of these ideas? 1 Not important at this time 3 Could be a need 5 Important for our parish at this time	Response Average
The disintegrating concrete steps needs to be fixed. What if we made it a handicap accessible entrance that is enclosed to protect from ice and snow?	3.49
Explore creating a Youth Ministry position, shared with St. Pat's school or Holy Spirit parish	3.27
Explore adding children/family areas create welcome and help integrate them into Sunday worship]	3.04
Explore expanding Music Ministry. What about hired music position(s)?	2.70

## Averages from the Online Survey for the Strategic Plan

Please rate on a scale from 1-5 What is the urgency of working on these projects? 1 It's a future need 3 Start creating a plan 5 It's an immediate need	Response Average
Replace leaking basement windows in the church.	3.62
Address foundation/drainage issues on the north side of the church basement.]	3.47
The roof is 25 years old and the church is the most expensive to heat & cool.	3.40
Form more bible studies and faith-sharing groups	3.12
Add additional learning opportunities and expand our welcome of new members	3.03
Replace the last remaining 1930 windows in the rectory	2.94
Extend the two 5th Street entrances to the church to protect the steps from snow/ice and add a handicap ramp	2.81
Replace wooden windows on south side of the offices and bathrooms	2.35
Install a sound system in the Spiritual Life Center for presentations and classes.	2.12
Update the sound system in church for better accessibility, welcome, and Sunday worship	2.11
Install awnings over south-facing doors and windows for sun/rain protection	2.09
Refresh the church interior with new paint	2.00

Pick two devotional additions that you would like to see.

156 responses



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# School News



Monday, March 2  
 Spring Sports Begin  
 Boys Basketball District Final

Tuesday, March 3  
 NPCC Inter-High Day  
 Boys Bball Sub Districts

Saturday, March 7  
 Speech @ Maxwell



**IRISH FEST 2026**

**Sunday, March 1, 2026**

Irish Fest is a fun, family tradition at the North Platte Catholic Schools since 1975! Join us for a delicious homemade meal, bake sale, silent auction, raffle, and gym full of games & prizes for the kids. All are welcome. Tickets available at the event. Proceeds support the North Platte Catholic Schools. St. Pat's High School (500 S. Silber) from 12:00-3:00pm. Call 308-534-5939, stop by 601 S. Tabor, or submit your donation online by scanning this code:



## Meet your Priest!

Name: Fr. Joe  
 Role in St. Pat's Religious Education Program: Priest  
 How long have you been teaching Religion: 47 years  
 Current Job/Occupation: Sr. Associate Pastor  
 What's your favorite ...  
 Color: Green  
 Food: Coffee  
 Pastime: Reading  
 Saint: St. John Bosco  
 Liturgical Season/Feast Day: Easter and St. Joseph  
 Saint Quote or Bible Verse: Isaiah 55:16-11 and Philippians 2:10-11



## OPEN ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is Open for Fall 2026. Kindergarten through 12th Grade – **ALL on one campus.**

Take the time to see what we have to offer. Tours can be given throughout the year.

Contact Gwen Covey—308-532-1874 or g.covey@npcschools.org  
 Join us and become a part of the IRISH school family!

This is an investment you won't regret!



Mass	Sat., March 7th at 5:30pm	Sun., March 8th at 8:30am	Sun., March 8th at 11am
<b>Servers</b>	E. Condon S. Odean J. Urias	G. Felix M. McCormick Need Volunteers	G. Jorgensen Melvin Siblings
<b>Hospitality Ministers</b>	J. Smith Arthur Family	R. Moritz Need a Volunteer	D. Phelps H. Lee
<b>Eucharist Ministers</b>	Deacon Kent R. Orr M. Fisher S. McGrath	R. Guillaume G. Huggenberger D. Goff M. Brosius	Deacon Eric N. Deckert A. Long B. Mendenhall
<b>Lectors</b>	S. Vapenik	A. Kylar	B. Rossman
<b>Gifts</b>	Odean Family	Need Volunteer	Jorgensen Family

Please use the Ministry Scheduler Pro App to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry. Thank you.

The February Magnificats are here. Please stop in during office hours to claim yours. **M**



- Tuesday, March 3rd** - + Victoria Ruth Martinez
- Wednesday, March 4th** - 12pm - No intentions for this Mass
- Thursday, March 5th** - 7am - + Maurice & Lillian May Guillaume
- Friday, March 6th** - 7am - + Victoria Martinez
- Saturday, March 7th** - 5:30pm - Alumni & benefactors listed in the North Platte Catholic Schools Endowment Book of Memories
- Sunday, March 8th** - 8:30am - The People of the Parish  
11am - The Goodwin Family

**This Week's Readings March 2nd-March 8th**

- Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
- Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Adoration of Our Lord in the exposed Blessed Sacrament is offered weekly on Thursdays from 1pm- 8pm in the church. You are encouraged to dedicate yourself to a habitual time each week for 30-60 minutes. Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary at 3pm or for Night Prayer & Benediction at 7:40pm.



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<b>Our Weekly Offering to God</b>	
February 22, 2026	
<b>Adult</b>	\$4,708.00
<b>Plate</b>	\$949.38
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	\$2,068.15
<b>Total</b>	\$7,725.53
<b>January Electronic Giving</b>	\$18,340.24

**DIOCESAN APPEAL**  
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as of 2/23/2026  
Parish Goal: \$48,584  
Donor Goal: 150  
Total Received: \$36,724  
# of Donors: 114

**Parish Rosary Program**  
**Weekly:**  
582  
**Year to date:**  
1027  
**Grand total:** 18,526

Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you have to do to become Catholic? Our "Becoming Catholic" classes are Thursdays, at 6:00pm. These classes are also a good chance for Catholics to "brush up" on their own faith or prepare for receiving Confirmation or first Communion. Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. If you know someone who has shown interest in our faith, pray "Come, Holy Spirit" and ask! We are also in need of sponsors to help integrate newcomers into our community by attending classes, going to Mass with them and becoming a mentor in faith. Contact Fr. Sorensen if interested.

