

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 31, 2021**

Saint Joseph's Parish

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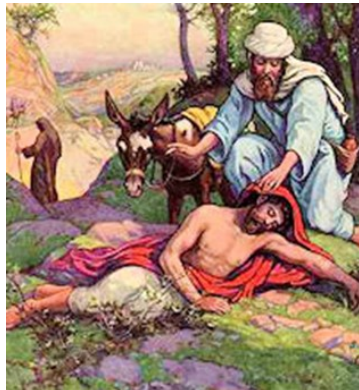
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The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these (Mk 12:28-31)."

Today's Catechism – Let's learn something about our Catholic Faith

Lesson 3: God and the Holy Trinity

Who is God? – The eternal, infinite supreme being. He is the creator who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them (Psalm 146:6).

What does Creator mean? It means he made things out of nothing.

How do you know there is a God? – If you examine things in this world, you will have to admit that someone had to make them. (Psalm 13:1- Ask the beasts to teach you, and birds of the air to tell you or reptiles...which of all these does not know that the hand of God has done all this?).

Does God see and know all things? Yes, because he is personally present everywhere. (Proverbs 15:3 – The eyes of the Lord are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good.).

Is God interested in you? Yes, and He loves you personally with unlimited love. (Isa.49:15 – Can a woman forget her infant...?).

Does God's love include forgiveness of all your sins? Yes, if you are truly sorry for them. (2nd. Chronicles. 30:9 – For the Lord your God is merciful and will not turn away his face from you if you return to him.).

What do we mean by Holy Trinity? It means that there are three persons in one God. (Mt. 28:19 – Go therefore and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.)

Are the 3 persons of the Trinity equal? Yes, they are equal but each is a distinct person, and each is truly God, truly divine.

Can we understand these truths about the inner life of God? This is a mystery that no human person can completely understand.

Why did God reveal this mystery? So that we may have a correct understanding of God. He is not lonely or dependent on any creature. Rather all creatures find fulfillment by being welcomed into the eternal life of the Trinity persons of God.

Today's reality

There are many things in this world that we cannot fully understand such as growth, sight, hearing, electricity and many others. We therefore cannot fully understand God. If God had not told us these truths, we would never have known.



From Fr. Vincent's Desk:

All Saints Day November 1st, and All Souls Day November 2nd

All Saints Day is a Holy Day of obligation and you are required to attend Mass. It is falling on a Monday this year. Therefore, check the time and where Mass will be at in the Mass schedule box on the back. On this day, we remember all good saintly people who are in heaven yet not mentioned in the Church calendar. All Souls Day is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but on this Feast Day we pray for all the souls who are in purgatory. After recognizing and praying through the intercession of those in heaven, on All Souls Day we pray for the souls that are awaiting purification before they enter into heaven. We dedicate the whole month of November in praying for all our beloved dead.

Updates on Archbishop's Annual Appeal – 2021-2022

Together, through the help of the Holy Spirit, we will create a culture of unity, evangelization, leadership and mercy. May God transform our simple gifts to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal and bring the ministry of the church to its fulfillment. Our parish of St. Joseph, Wisner has currently committed \$3,945 towards the goal of \$7,945.42. Holy Cross, Beemer has committed \$4,215 towards the goal of \$10,945. Thank you for saying yes to being a disciple and living mercy to our neighbors across the archdiocese.



TITHE.LY

Online Giving with Tithe.ly

We have officially launched our online giving platform for both St. Joseph and Holy Cross parishes.

To sign up, visit your parish website and while at the home page, you will see a "Donate" button at the top left side. Click on it to create an account and set up how you would like to give to your parish. If you have any questions, call the parish office at 402-529-3891.

Saint Joseph Parish Council Members 2021-2022	
Dave Deitloff— Pres.	Matt Albers
Rick Jacobs	Ruth Bloedorn
Janet Ludwig	Lindsey Burki
Mary VonSeggern	Chris Ruskamp
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Mike Guenther—Pres.	Trisha Robertson—V.P.
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Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer
Weekend of November 7th

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Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner
Weekend of November 6th & 7th

LEC: Chris Ruskamp
EMHC: Shane Batenhorst
SERV: Dayton Gentrup, Jordan Gentrup
OFF: Shane Batenhorst
USHER: November Men's Group

LEC: Dave McGuire
EMHC: Madonna Servi
EMHC 2: Janet Ludwig
SERV: Ghia Bramble, Hayden Schroeder
OFF: Eric VonSeggern
USHER: November Men's Group

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—October 24, 2021	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,115.00
Plate:	79.00
Youth:	8.64
Total:	\$1,202.64

MONEY COUNTERS

Sunday, Oct. 31st—Team #1 Mary VonSeggern, Chris Ruskamp, Lori Ruskamp, Steve Ausdemore
 Sunday, Nov. 7th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder

MEN'S WORK GROUP—November 2021

Chair: Jordan Feller
Co-Chair: Tim Montgomery
Members: Rick Jacobs, Chet Beckmann, Randy Jensen, Dave McGuire, Tom Feller, Ryan Schulz

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE is now at the entrance of Holy Cross for anyone to write the names of loved ones who have died from now till the end of November; the month in which we honor them. 2022 calendars are also available there.

Stewardship of God's Gifts St. Joseph—October 24, 2021	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$655.00
Plate:	194.00
Children's:	15.00

Celebrations:
 Holy Cross Parish wishes happiness and God's blessings to the following:

Birthdays:
 Bob Schlickbernd November 1
 Brooke Combs November 2

Anniversaries:
 Dan and Karen Spenner November 3




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ALL SAINTS DAY MASS SCHEDULE	
Monday, November 1st	
8:00 am at Holy Cross — Beemer	
5:30 pm at St. Joseph — Wisner	

CARING CATHOLIC FAMILIES, an LGBTQ family support group, will host a Memorial Mass on Sunday, November 7th, at 1:00 pm at St. John's on the Creighton Campus. All family and friends of deceased LGBTQ family members are welcome. For any questions, please call Tom Everson at 402-301-4021.


 **ONE WEEK LEFT** *Ladies of St. Joseph Parish* - - - Please check the pie shelf in the church kitchen for dishes that may belong to you. Items such as large pretty glass and plastic salad bowls, very nice larger and smaller glass serving plates, deviled egg platters, pretty Christmas plates, glass pie plates, nice cookie sheets, angel food container and other items. Please check the pie shelf for any items that may be yours. If items are not picked up before November 7th, items will be donated. Questions, please contact Martha Schweers – 402-380-2114.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE for St. Joseph is located in the front of church by the Virgin Mary side altar. Please write the names of loved ones who have died that you would like to have remembered throughout the month of November. The book will remain there for the month. Also, we have placed "All Souls" envelopes there if you would like to have Mass said in their memory. Suggested intention is \$10 per Mass.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for the 4th quarter at St. Joseph's is completed, and copies are available on the bulletin board at the back of church.

CALENDARS for 2022 are here and located in the back of church. Please take one while supplies last.





Religious Education

ST. JOSEPH – GRADES K-6
 The 4th grade students did a presentation in church about Saints. Each presented a saint and gave a report with some wearing costumes and bringing props that were symbols of the saint. The 5th grade finished making rosaries.

ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS (GRADES 7 -12)
Grade 7-9: After Prayer, we divided into groups and received our "identity". After the egg drop, we share what our view-point would be. We had a video by Fr. Mike on how the Catholic Church received it's authority from Jesus. It is our guide to help us see more clearly how Jesus wants us to live. We ended with scripture and prayer.
Grade 10-12: The students made Halloween goodie plates with the treats that they brought. Capri McGuire and Tamie Batenhorst drove them around Wisner to deliver the goodie plates.

MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	01	8:00 AM	HC	+ Chad Francis
Mon	01	5:30 PM	SJ	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish
Tue	02	9:30 AM	WCC	NO MASS
Wed	03	8:00 AM	HC	NO MASS
Thu	04	8:00 AM	SJ	+ Norma Nortman
Fri	05	9:30 AM	CHB	+ Dorothy Gentrup
Sat	06	5:00 PM	SJ	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish
Sun	07	8:30 AM	HC	+ Lvng & Dec'd Mbrs of the Ray Steffensmeier Family
Sun	08	10:00 AM	SJ	+ Eleanor Hemenway
SJ—St. Joseph's			HC—Holy Cross	
WCC—Wisner Care Center			CHB—Colonial Haven Beemer	