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**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 13th, 2022**

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**The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**



The **First Reading** is taken from the *Prophecy of Malachi 3:19-20* and concerns the day of retribution, of judgment when the Lord will punish the wicked and reward His faithful ones.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke, 21:5-19*. To help us to be honest with ourselves in our stock-taking we are reminded

today that this world will come to an end one day. We do not know when or how, but that end will come. It will be followed immediately by the general judgment. Christ will come in power and glory to judge the whole human race. Each one will receive the sentence he merited while on earth. The just will enter with Him into eternal glory. The wicked will go to their place of suffering, sorrow and remorse.

"Today if you hear God's voice harden not your heart" the scripture warns us. Today you have heard Him speak to you. He has reminded you that your end is coming, that you should put your spiritual accounts in order. This is an act of God's mercy. He does not need you; it is you who need Him. Your eternal future will depend on whether you listen to His call today, as tomorrow may be too late. You can put your accounts straight this very day. Why take a risk with your own eternal welfare?

**From Fr. Vincent's Desk:**

**Update on the Archdiocese Annual Appeal for 2022-2023**

Your generosity to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is a commitment to be part of the Living Body of Christ. Please prayerfully consider the gifts you have received and share a portion of your blessings with others during this time.

This weekend we invite all those who have yet to make a gift to join their fellow parishioners in an expression of gratitude. Every gift, no matter how large or small, makes a difference.

Our parish of Wisner has currently committed \$7,970 towards our goal of \$8,279. Help us reach our participation goal of 28% (or 46 donors). We are currently at 19 donors, so less by 27 donors. Our other parish of Beemer has committed \$3,460 towards our goal of \$11,345.11. Our participation goal is 49% (or 37 donors) and we are currently at 12 donors, so less by 25 donors. If each one of us participates, we will make great progress. Thank you for your generosity.

**St. Joseph's Church Sound System Installation delays**

Many of you might be wondering why it is taking so long to do this. The company that is to accomplish this work is experiencing delays with some of the equipment that has been ordered. It looks like it will be a few months before they get everything ready. This is because of the current situation where some countries have zero tolerance of COVID. It has slowed down production of many things in the world as you know. They have been good in updating us. We will keep waiting.

**Updates on Family Pastoral Planning Team (FPPT) as of Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

I thought of letting you know where we stand as of now with these anticipated pastoral changes that will affect how we have been operating in our parishes. As you all know, and I have mentioned in my past updates, changes are never easy but sometimes they are inevitable for the common good. The committee members and I from our two parishes of Wisner and Beemer, together with all other representatives from our West Point Family had our 5th meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 8th, at St. Alloysius Church in Aloys.

Our main agenda was the Mass schedule. Prior to this meeting, the 5 clergy from our family parishes did hold several meetings and one together with the Archdiocesan Pastoral leadership recently, to try and come up with an acceptable Mass schedule that fits the set-out parameters as outlined by the Archdiocese guidelines. We did come up with one Mass proposal plan that meets the parameters. In this plan, each parish has been affected in terms of reduction of number of Masses, times and the day of the Mass. Some parishes will be affected even more with changes.

Unfortunately, this proposal didn't go well with most of the committee members who are backing for our initial proposal plan that caters for every parish in the family in terms of having Mass; some on rotational basis, but sadly this plan does not meet the parameters set. The chances are that it will be rejected. In brief, we haven't reached a conclusion yet how things will look in terms of Mass schedule in our family. We are still discerning how we can move forward before submitting this proposal by Tuesday, November 15th. All we need is your prayers. But above all, let's keep on praying and promoting vocation to the priesthood as it is the only long-term solution to this. In our families, share with your children the cause of these anticipated changes, hopefully it will strike an interest in them to start thinking about priesthood.

**November – The month of remembering those in Purgatory**

Each one of us has lost someone so dear to him or her. It may be a close family member, a relative or friend. We believe that heaven is a place for only the pure hearted. But there are people who tried to live a virtuous life, practiced their faith but due to human weaknesses, they committed sin like we all do. They are not bad people to go to hell and neither pure clean of sin to go to heaven. So we believe that there is a place for these souls to await purification before they are accepted into heaven. That place is what the church calls purgatory. While there, they only rely on our prayers for their salvation. We don't know how long they be there, that all depends on God's mercy. That is why in every Mass, we pray for the dead and crown it all. We pray for all these people during this month of November.



I ask you to consider taking an envelope from the church and schedule a for Mass of your beloved one. That is the only gift you can give to the one you love who has died. You can also dedicate any form of prayers like the rosary to the people you want to pray for. Be sure to mention their names in every decade.

If we all flood heaven with our cries of prayers of the dead to the throne of God, I believe God will listen to us and open the gates of heaven to our loved ones in purgatory.

Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer  
Weekend of November 20th

WORD: Renae Carlson  
EMHC: Sue Niewohner  
SERVER: Kris & Kim Pena

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—November 6, 2022	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$970.00
Plate:	60.00
Tithe.ly Online:	100.00
Youth:	9.00
HELP/Fuel:	100.00
All Saints Day:	160.00
Total:	\$1,399.00

2022 ADVENT RETREAT  
November 27th

at Holy Cross Parish in Beemer

3:30—Speaker: Father Kevin Vogel  
5:00—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Adoration, Rosary, Scriptural Meditation, Confessions  
5:55—Benediction  
6:05—Dinner



*Celebrations:*

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

**Birthdays**

Keith Anderson November 14  
Rita Eichelberger November 15  
Max Guenther November 16  
Roy Liermann November 16

**Anniversary**

Art and Pia Fernandez November 19



MASS INTENTIONS

Day	Date	Time	Location	Intention
Mon	14	—	—	NO MASS
Tue	15	9:30 AM	WCC	+ Keith Schroeder
Wed	16	8:00 AM	HC	+ Viola Doerneman
Thu	17	8:00 AM	SJ	+ Russell Gentrup
Fri	18	9:30 AM	CHB	+ Barb Albers
Sat	19	5:00 PM	SJ	+ Ted & Louise Esser
Sun	20	8:30 AM	HC	Anniversary Wishes and Safe Travels Art & Pia Fernandez
Sun	20	10:00 AM	SJ	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish

SJ—St. Joseph's      HC—Holy Cross  
WCC—Wisner Care Center      CHB—Colonial Haven Beemer



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
February 25, 2023  
2nd annual Trivia Night for  
St. Joseph Church, Wisner

Start getting your teams together!  
More information to follow!!

Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner  
Weekend of November 19th & 20th

LEC: Gayle Lampman  
EMHC: John Woerdemann  
SERVER: Lainey Montgomery, Jace Hansen, Charli Jacobs  
OFF: Tim Montgomery  
USHER: November Men's Group

LEC: Chris Ruskamp  
EMHC: Martha Schweers  
EMHC2: Shane Batenhorst  
SERVER: Chesney Ruskamp, Dayton Gentrup, Abraham Millan Jr.  
OFF: Dave McGuire  
USHER: November Men's Group

MONEY COUNTERS

Sunday, November 13th—Team #1 Mary VonSeggern, Chris Ruskamp, Lori Ruskamp, Steve Ausdemore  
Sunday, November 20th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder

MEN'S WORK GROUP—November 2022

Chair: Steve Gerken  
Co-Chair: Jason Oligmueller  
Members: Dave Oligmueller, Dane Miller, Steve McManigal, Jeff Albers, David Dinklage, Del Styskal, Trevor Styskal

Stewardship of God's Gifts

St. Joseph—November 6, 2022

Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,015.00
Plate:	437.00
Children:	10.00
Tithe.ly Online:	205.81
All Saints Day:	10.00

THE LADIES GUILD WILL BE HOSTING COFFEE AND COOKIES after church TODAY, November 13. We will be in the church basement unless the weather is beautiful. Then it will be hosted on the green outside of church.



THE NEXT LADIES GUILD MEETING will be Monday, November 14 at 5:30 in church basement. Topics discussed will be the Fall Dinner, CCD soup meal and other items.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meeting for St. Joseph is scheduled for Monday, November 21st, at 7:00 pm in the church basement.

CALENDARS for 2023 are in and are available to be picked up in the back of church.

Religious Education

ST. JOSEPH – GRADES K-6

**Grades K-6:** The 5<sup>th</sup> grade did Mass server training with Fr. Vincent. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade learned about the Holy Trinity and also reviewed the Apostles Creed.

ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS– GRADES 7-12

**Grade 7:** Finished watching episode 4 of The Chosen in which the main story is the miracle of catching the fish and then the fishermen leave their nets to follow Jesus.

**Grade 8-10:** We had a lesson on what the Mass is and why it is important. Please bring your youth to Mass every weekend as it is the main focus of having them confirmed. Their lives will be so much richer for it and what we are studying will make more sense.

**Grade 11-12:** The reflection was titled "The Call to Greatness". It touches on how athletes are called to greatness. The desire to become the best version of ourselves, live for something more than ourselves, and when we tap into that desire, we live our call to greatness.

All classes met in church for closing prayer.