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**Solemnity of Christ— King of the Universe  
 November 20th, 2022**

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**Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe**



The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

The **First Reading** is from *2 Samuel 5:1-3*. Saul, the first king of Israel, was told by the prophet Samuel that the kingship would not remain in his family because he had disobeyed the laws of God. David was chosen by God to replace him and was anointed secretly by Samuel in Bethlehem.

The **Gospel** is *Luke 23:35-43*, describing the death of Jesus on the cross. All four Evangelists tell us that when Jesus was crucified on Calvary there was an inscription written on the upper arm of the cross which said that he was "King of the Jews." To the disgust of the Jewish leaders, he insisted on putting the title of the crucified criminal, "King of the Jews," over his cross. In doing this, Pilate was proclaiming to the world, that these vengeful leaders of the people had condemned the messianic King, for whom they had been waiting for centuries, to the shameful death of the cross. He was doing even more. He was proclaiming that the innocent one who hung on that cross was the "King of Kings" the King of this world and of the next.



**From Fr. Vincent's Desk:  
 Advent Retreat for St. Joseph & Holy Cross  
 Parishes**

I can't believe that Christmas is just around the corner! Before then, come and join us in a short retreat on Advent and reflection of the anticipated new way of doing things in our parishes. This event will be presented by Fr. Kevin Vogel, the Pastor of the churches in Randolph, Osmond and Pierce, NE. It will be on Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm at Holy Cross church, Beemer.



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

This is just to let you know what myself, our two parish representatives together with other parishes in our West Point Family have done so far with regard to the pastoral plan that we are working on:



On Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, we submitted two proposals:

- One has Mass rotations in the country parishes. In this proposal, we requested that it runs for a period of two years after which the affected parishes will merge.
- The second proposal has no Mass rotation but has cut off weekend Masses in certain parishes but the churches will remain open for week day Mass, feast days, and ceremonies like weddings and funerals. We are aware that this will generate some heat!

I will not divulge any details since these are just proposals. I will share the information in full once approved by the archbishop. All we need is your prayers. But above all, let's keep on praying and promoting vocation to priesthood, as it is the only long-term solution to this.

**Updates on AAA as of Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 2022**

Jesus calls us to be alert to the opportunities to be His disciples, His witnesses and share His love. Your participation in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is an extension of our call to discipleship in our parish. Every gift matters. To date, St. Joseph, in Wisner has committed \$9,420 from 21 donors towards our goal of \$8,279.

Holy Cross in Beemer, has committed \$3,510 from 13 donors towards our goal of \$11,345.11. Please help us reach our participation goal of 49%. We still have a long way to achieve our goal. If you did receive a request letter and envelope from the archbishop, kindly respond.

Thank you all those who have committed to supporting the archdiocese.



Saint Joseph Parish Council Members 2022-2023	
Ruth Bloedorn—Pres.	Trevor Cyboron— V.P.
Matt Albers	Holly Schroeder
Lindsey Burki— Sec.	Carmen Godbersen
Chris Ruskamp	Matt McGuire
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Mike Guenther—Pres.	Trisha Robertson—Sec.
Mike Gentrup	Karen Spenner
Robert Praest	Michelle Borgmann
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**Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer**  
**November 23rd, Thanksgiving Mass**

**EMHC:** Dennis Mostek

**Weekend of November 26th & 27th**

**WORD:** Tom Peatrowsky, Doris Guenther  
**EMHC:** Gerald Schlickbernd, Ann Bausch  
**SERVER:** Sun: Ben Oligmueller

**Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner**  
**Weekend of November 27th**

**LEC:** Dave McGuire  
**EMHC:** Kathy Johnson  
**EMHC 2:** Janet Ludwig  
**SERV:** Autumn Chohon, Paislie Burki,  
 Aidan McBride  
**OFF:** AJ Burki  
**USHER:** November Men's Group

**Stewardship of God's Gifts**  
**Holy Cross—November 13, 2022**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$937.00
Plate:	64.61
Tithe.ly Online:	100.00
Youth:	9.25
Thanksgiving:	25.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,135.86</b>

**MONEY COUNTERS**

**Sunday, November 20th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder**  
**Sunday, November 27th—Team #3 Steve McGuire, Chad Ludwig, Dave Oligmueller, Kris Brahmer**

**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

**MEN'S WORK GROUP—December 2022**

**Chair:** Chris Borgelt  
**Co-Chair:** Tyler Oligmueller  
**Members:** Brian Phillips, Steve Ausdemore, Shane Batenhorst, Tim Phillips, Galen Minds, Alex Ausdemore, Spencer Batenhorst

**THANKSGIVING COLLECTION** of non-perishable food, paper goods, cleaning, and personal care items will be happening at the 5:00 Mass on Wednesday at Holy Cross. Please bring them with you on that day or the following weekend.

**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



**Stewardship of God's Gifts**

**St. Joseph—November 13, 2022**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,295.00
Plate:	218.00
Children:	17.00
Tithe.ly Online:	420.58
All Saints Day:	25.00
World Mission:	50.00
Insurance:	30.00



**Celebrations:**

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

**Birthdays**

Gerald Gentrup November 21  
 Mel Niewohner November 24  
 Mike Guenther November 24  
 Ron Guenther November 25

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



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

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



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Day	Time	Location	Intention
Mon	21	—	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tue	22	9:30 AM	WCC + Hugh McGuire
Wed	23	8:00 AM	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>
Wed	23	5:00 PM	<b>Thanksgiving Mass</b> + Norbert Ruskamp
Thu	24	9:00 AM	<b>Thanksgiving Mass</b> Lvng & Dec'd Family of Ron & MaryAnn Wemhoff
Fri	25	9:30 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
Sat	26	5:00 PM	+ Ben & Catherine Franzluebbers
Sun	27	8:30 AM	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish
Sun	27	10:00 AM	+ Mary Thomas

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

**Religious Education**

**ST. JOSEPH – GRADES K-6**

**Grades K-6:** The 5<sup>th</sup> grade finished Mass server training with Fr. Vincent. Grades K-2 were fitted for costumes for the Christmas Program. Christmas parts were sent home with each student so please help your child in grades K-2 memorize their line.

**Thanksgiving break this week so there will be no class.**

**ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS— GRADES 7-12**

**Grade 7:** Watched episode 5 of The Chosen which shows Mary and Joseph finding Jesus in the temple preaching at age 12. It then fast forwards 18 years to when Jesus performs his first miracle at the Wedding of Cana by turning the water into wine.

**Grade 8-10:** Our lesson began with a review of some things we need to know for our interviews. We then began our lesson on the sacrament of marriage and what it means to God and to us. We are continuing to identify our sponsors for Confirmation. Please attend Thanksgiving Mass with your family.

**Grade 11-12:** Did not have class.

**No class this week for it is Thanksgiving break.**