Saint Joseph's Church

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**Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass** 

or by appointment

# Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday November 26th, 2023

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8:00-8:20 am or by appt.

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### Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, **King of the Universe Sunday**



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.

Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world."

In courtesy of Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Gandas

# Welcome to St. Josephs Church and Holy Cross Parish

We welcome all our guests and new members to our parishes. There are many opportunities for experiencing the peace and joy of our loving God in liturgy, groups, committees and volunteer service to the church. If you would like to join our parish family, contact the parish office or send an email to:

For St. Joseph—stjo68791@gmail.com For Holy Cross—<u>renaecarlson@hotmail.com</u>

West Point Parish Family Weekend Mass Schedule:					
Weekend Mass	Sat.	Sun.			
St. Boniface/St. Anthony (Until July of 2024)	4:30 pm				
Sts. Peter and Paul-Howells	5:00 pm				
St. Mary's-West Point	6:00 pm				
St. Aloysius-Aloys		7:30 am			
Holy Cross-Beemer		8:30 am			
St. Wenceslaus-Dodge		9:00 am			
St. Joseph-Wisner		10:00 am			
St. Mary's-West Point		10:00 am			
St. John NepHowells		10:30 am			

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

Family of Faith Formation - November Session This is an announcement for all parents of our

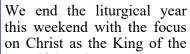
Rel Ed program - Grade School, Junior High and High School. You are invited to attend our November session which will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 29th, at 7 pm in the Church. This is a one-hour program in which we meet only once a month. We know schedules are busy, but it is important that you attend, even if you need to leave early. The main goal of this program is to invite you to support us in helping your children in their faith formation. Yes, we can work together to make our children good Catholics. I usually facilitate the program. Please join us this Wednesday.

## <u> Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2023/24</u>

With the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we are once again reminded that His word is taken as most true. He constantly calls us to be charitable throughout scripture. Your support of the Annual Appeal fuels the mission Jesus preached about right here in northeast Nebraska. Please prayerfully consider what you can give.

#### A Thought for Today:

"When Beauty overwhelms us, we are close to Worship God" (Richard C Cabot)





beautiful Universe that surrounds us. It is a feast that brings us into the reflection of what kind of a God that is not only a king but one who has come to be with us. Think of seeing snow for the first time like I did when I arrived here in the United States exactly 12 years ago! Your description of it will be incredibly vivid; it's like you were painting a picture with your words. The way you connect the beauty of snow to the deeper contemplation of God's beauty will be truly profound. It's amazing how moments of sheer beauty can evoke such a spiritual response within us, leading us to reflect on the magnificence of creation and the Creator.

The way you link the lasting impact of certain people in our lives too, to the appreciation of beauty and goodness is powerful. It's true that they often serve as conduits, reminding us of the goodness that emanates from a higher source, prompting us to reflect on the divine.

Your perspective on how goodness and beauty in people and things can serve as a conduit to worshiping God is really inspiring. It's like finding glimpses of the divine in the everyday, through all that surrounds us.

Do you often find yourself reflecting on moments of beauty as a pathway to a deeper spiritual understanding? It is this beauty that leads us into prayer and link to God.

Fr. Vincent



#### **Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer** Weekend of December 3rd

WORD: Tom Peatrowski EMHC: **Ann Bausch** SERVER: Kris & Kim Pena

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—Nov. 19th, 2023				
Sunday Envelopes:	\$826.00			
Plate:	84.00			
Children:	20.00			
Tithe.ly Online:	150.00			
HELP/Fuel:	10.00			
Thanksgiving:	850.00			
Total:	\$1,940.00			

**MEN'S PRAYER GROUP** starting at Holy Cross. It will start on Friday, December 1, from 6-7 am. Contact Mike Guenther 402-922-1114 for questions.

2023 ADVENT RETREAT—A free event at Holy Cross Dec. 3rd. Speaker at 4:00 pm followed by Exposition, Adoration, and Confessions. Childcare will be provided.

HOLY CROSS ALTAR SOCIETY will hold their meeting December 4th at 5:00 p.m. in the church basement. The baby Jesus Shower basket will be in the back of church for donations. We also will be collecting used eye glasses in a separate basket.

**HOLY CROSS BIBLE STUDY:** Because of our December 3rd Retreat and the Altar Society meeting the 4th, Holy Cross bible study won't be held December 6th. Our next Bible study will be January 3rd.

# Celebrations:

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

#### **Birthdays**

Cristina Pena November 27 Brenda Anderson November 28 Jesus Pena November 29 Renae Carlson November 29 Carla Petersen December 2

## **Anniversaries**

Robert and Ashley Praest December 2

#### Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner Weekend of December 3rd

Jeff Phillips LEC: EMHC: **Kathy Johnson EMHC 2: Anne Ausdemore** 

SERV: Hailey Grenier, Ghia Bramble, Charlee Thies

Dave Oligmueller OFF: **USHER:** December Men's Group

#### **MONEY COUNTERS**

Sunday, November 26th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder

Sunday, December 3rd—Team #3 Steve McGuire, Chad Ludwig, Dave Oligmueller, Kris Brahmer

#### MEN'S WORK GROUP—November 2023

Chair: **Tyler Oligmueller** Co-Chair: Steve Ausdemore

Members: Shane Batenhorst, Tim Phillips, Galen

Minds, Jeremy Ritter, Chris Borgelt

#### MEN'S WORK GROUP—December 2023

Chair: **Marvin Seier** Co-Chair: **Greg Schlautman** 

Members: Tony Lampman, AJ Kluthe, Rich Bodwell, Russ Loberg, Chris Liermann, Ken Duncan, Gavin

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## Stewardship of God's Gifts St. Joseph—Nov. 19th, 2023

Sunday Envelopes: \$1,390.00 Plate: 178.00 Children: 14.00 Heating/AC: 50.00

ST. JOSEPH 2024 CONTRIBUTION ENVLELOPES are in the back of church. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

# **WISNER VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE SOUP FUNDRAISER** Sunday, December 3rd At the Wisner City Auditorium Soup Meal 11:00am—1:30 pm Chicken—Chili—Oyster Stew Visit with SANTA 11:00—12:30

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#### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SERVICES**

St. Joseph's - Thursday, December 7th at 5:30 am Holy Cross - Friday, December 8th at 12:00 noon



MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	27	_	_	NO MASS
Tue	28	9:30 AM	wcc	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish
Wed	29	8:00 AM	HC	+ Eric Wellman
Thu	30	8:00 AM	SJ	+ Fran Kass
Fri	01	9:30 AM	СНВ	+ Fred & Rita McNamara
Sat	02	_	_	NO MASS
Sun	03	8:30 AM	HC	+ Alvin Dinslage + Wenzel Franzluebbers
Sun	03	10:00 AM	SJ	+ Herb Albers
SJ—St. Joseph's WCC—Wisner Care Center		Center	HC—Holy Cross CHB—Colonial Haven Beemer	

# **Religious Education**

#### ST. JOSEPH - GRADES K-6

November 29 & December 6th - Class as normal December 13<sup>th</sup> - Class will be from 4:00 to 6:00 Christmas Program & Soup Supper at 6:00p.m. Invite will be sent home this week

# ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS- GRADES 7-12 November 29th, December 6<sup>th</sup> - Class as normal

December 13<sup>th</sup> - End of semester Bowling Party

