Saint Joseph's Church

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Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass

or by appointment

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 24th, 2024

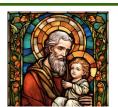
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#### **Announcements for:**

The ST. JOSEPH FAMILY OF PARISHES

**<u>NEW WEBSITE:</u>** St Joseph Family of Parishes has a new website. This website includes all 10 Parishes in our Family. <a href="https://stjosephfamilyofparishes.org/">https://stjosephfamilyofparishes.org/</a>

St. Joseph and Holy Cross websites remain the same, but may now also be accessed thru this new website.

ST. JOSEPH FAMILY OF PARISHES Weekend Mass Schedule:					
Weekend Mass	Sat.	Sun.			
St. Boniface—Monterey	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			



## **Thanksgiving Mass Schedule**

Wednesday, November 27th
5:00 pm—Holy Cross, Beemer
5:30 pm—Sacred Heart, Olean
7:00 pm—St. Mary's, West Point

Thursday, November 28th
8:30 am—St. Wenceslaus, Dodge
9:00 am—St. Mary's, West Point
9:00 am—St. Joseph, Wisner
10:00 am—St. John, Howells



#### Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

.... "Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." (JOHN 18:36) Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building "your" kingdom here on earth? We all know we can't take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

#### **Update on AAA 2024/2025**

Thank you to those who have already made a gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. St. Joseph parish has currently committed \$2,025.00 towards a goal of \$8,268.17, and Holy Cross parish has committed \$1,520.00 towards a goal of \$11,366.77. Your participation in the AAA is extension of our call to discipleship in our parishes. Every gift matters. Please consider making an offering to the Annual Appeal.



## SPIRITUAL INSIGHT— Fr. Matthias Sule

Reflection on the Solemnity of Christ the King:

When we look at the life of Jesus. We see that one of the last conversations recorded in Scripture is on this very topic of the kingdom. It would be marvelous to imagine that as each year passes, we continue to grow in our awareness of the kingdom. Let's reflect today on what this kingdom means. What is the kingdom of God? We defiantly know a few things. Jesus wasn't talking about a place somewhere off in the distance. It is not over here or over there. It is not a place but rather a way of being in the world. One of the things Jesus makes clear is that the kingdom we are called to live in is a place of the truth. In that famous dialogue with Pilate in the gospel, it's clear that Jesus has come to establish a kingdom best described by simply "Living in the truth". This mystery immerses us in the truth and allows us to see things as they really are. Christ declared that His Kingship is not of this world. This means: Firstly, that unlike earthy Kings, Christ is King by nature. This is, because He is divine and everything was created through Him, all is subject to Him (Col 1:15-18). Secondly, Christ is King over the whole physical universe as well as the entire invisible part of creation (including heaven). So, his Jurisdiction cannot be measured. Thirdly, because He is almighty, His dominion is absolute in every way. That is, unlike earthy kings, Christ has power over everything. Fourthly, unlike earthy kings whose dominion is terminated by death. He, who is the Alpha and Omega, has power over death (Rev. 1:5,8). So, His kingship is Forever. We are invited in to this kingdom, the place where God's love reigns. Then we shall reign with Him forever in Heaven.

#### **Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer** Weekend of December 1st

Rita Eichelberger WORD: EMHC: **Brenda Anderson** 

SERVER: Vanessa & Preston Praest

**USHER:** Mike Gentrup

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—November 17th, 2024				
Sunday Envelopes:	\$900.00			
Plate:	66.00			
Children:	10.00			
Tithe.ly Online:	200.00			
All Saints:	25.00			
All Souls:	40.00			
HELP/Fuel:	15.00			
Thanksgiving:	500.00			
Total:	\$1,756.00			

CANNED OR BOXED FOOD & PAPER GOODS are welcome at Thanksgiving Mass and up until December 8th. Frozen turkeys & hams that are donated should be put in the basement freezer. Thank you for your dona-

ALTAR SOCIETY: We are having our Holy Cross Altar Society meeting December 9th, at 5:00 pm in the church rectory.

#### **Itty Bitty Advent Retreat**

Holy Cross in Beemer Featuring Fr. Vincent Sunguti Sunday, December 1st from 4-7 pm

4-5 pm - Insight from Fr. Vincent 5-6 pm - Eucharistic Exposition and Confession 6-7 pm - Food and Fellowship Free and child care provided

# Celebrations:

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

#### **Birthdays**

Mel Niewohner November 24 Mike Guenther November 24 Ron Guenther November 25 Tom Petersen November 25 Cristina Pena November 27 Brenda Anderson November 28 Jesus Pena November 29 Renae Carlson November 29

#### **EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE**

December 1st bulletin DUE BY Noon, November 27th December 8th bulletin DUE BY Noon, December 4th

MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	25	_		NO MASS
Tue	26	8:00 AM	НС	+ Elaine Throener
Wed	27	9:30 AM	WCC	+ Gerald Ruskamp
Wed	27	5:00 PM	НС	Thanksgiving Mass + Ray & Odelia Steffensmeier
Thu	28	9:00 AM	SJ	Thanksgiving Mass Lvng & Dec'd Mbrs of Ron & MaryAnn Wemhoff
Fri	29	9:00 AM	СНВ	+ Bill & Rachel Paul
Sat	30	_	_	NO MASS
Sun	01	8:30 AM	HC	Members of St. Joseph & Holy Cross Parish
Sun	01	10:00 AM	SJ	+ Gary Servi
SJ—St. Joseph's HC—Holy Cross WCC—Wisner Care Center CHB—Colonial Haven B			HC—Holy Cross CHB—Colonial Haven Beemer	

#### Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner Weekend of December 1st

LEC: Gayle Lampman EMHC: **Tammie Batenhorst EMHC 2:** Capri McGuire

Jaylee Lueken, Kinsley Lueken, SERV:

Brodrick Burki, OFF. **Chris Liermann** 

**USHER: December Men's Group** 

#### **MONEY COUNTERS**

Sunday, Nov. 24th—Team #2 Norm, Weber, Shane **Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder** 

Sunday, Dec. 1st-Team #3 Steve McGuire, Chad Ludwig, Dave Oligmueller, Kris Brahmer

MEN'S WORK GROUP—November 2024

Chair: Greg Schlautman

Co-Chair: Tony Lampman Members: AJ Kluthe, Rich Bodwell, Russ Loberg,

Chris Liermann, Ken Duncan, Marvin Seier

MEN'S WORK GROUP—December 2024

**Gary Godbersen** Chair: Co-Chair: Duane Mendlik

Members: Blaine Johnson, Nick Schultz, Scott Mendlik, Dave Ebel, Dixon Godbersen, Gerald Gentrup

# Stewardship of God's Gifts

#### St. Joseph—November 17th, 2024

\$630.00 Sunday Envelopes: Plate: 163.00 Children: 8.00 Tithe.ly Online: 274.11

#### ST. JOSEPH PARISH—POINSETTIAS

If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia for the Christmas Season in memory of a loved one(s), the sign up sheet and envelope are in the back of the church. You may also put an envelope in the collection basket, or mail it to the church at PO Box 623. Be sure to include the



name of your loved one(s) and \$20 for each Poinsettia. Thank you! St Joseph Environment Committee

FLOCKNOTE: This message is for both St. Joseph and Holy Cross parishes. Don't miss out on important announcements and information from your parish as well as those from our St. Joseph Family of Parishes. Flyers with instructions are in the pews, as well as in the back of church. Sign up today. Contact Sarah at the parish office if you need help or have questions. 402-529-3891.

# Keligious Education

#### ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS - GRADES K-12

Grades K-6: Each class was given their part for the Christmas program. Christmas notes were sent home.

November 27<sup>th</sup> - No Class - Thanksgiving Break

December 11<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Program at 6:00p.m. with soup supper to follow. Invites with details and what each family needs to bring were sent home with the

Grades 7-9: Confirmation Class: The lesson was on God's Grace and the Seven Sacraments. The evening ended with closing prayer in church.

Grades 10-12: The class had an activity on things we were thankful for. We ended in closing prayer and song about our blessings.

November 27th - No Class - Thanksgiving Break

#### ST. ALOYSIUS ANNUAL BREAKFAST

Sunday, December 1st, G.A. Cafeteria West Point, NE Menu: Homemade Sausage, French Toast, Eggs, Homemade Rolls, Fruit, Juice, Coffee Adults: \$9.00 Kids: \$5.00 Time: 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Bake Sale-Raffles-Silent Auction-Quilt Raffle