

Saint Joseph's Church

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Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass
or by appointment

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 30th, 2025

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Holy Cross Parish

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Associate Pastors: Fr. Walter Jong-a-Kiem and Fr. Matthias Sule

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Announcements for:

ST. JOSEPH FAMILY OF PARISHES

WEBSITE: The St. Joseph Family of Parishes' website which includes all 10 Parishes in our Family is:

<https://stjosephfamilyofparishes.org/>

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

PRO-LIFE SPEAKING EVENT FEATURING

Patricia Sandoval

Thursday, April 3, at 7:00 PM

Guardian Angels Central Catholic Activities Center
417 E Walnut St, West Point, NE 68788

HOSTED BY ST. MARY'S PROLIFE

All are welcome!

Refreshments and coffee following the event.

Patricia Sandoval is an international pro-life and chastity speaker who has traveled around the world since 2007 sharing her story of her three abortions, work behind the hidden doors of Planned Parenthood and followed by nearly three years as a homeless drug addict. Patricia currently hosts a weekly television program, "Pro-Life Report," (Informe Próvida) on EWTN español and is the author of the book "Transfigured," which has been translated in several countries. Patricia most recently can be seen on the documentary "THE MATTER OF LIFE". Diaper and Baby Item Collection: If you would like to bring diapers or other new baby items, we'll be collecting them at the event and taking them to a pregnancy resource center.

March 30, 2025 4th Sunday of Lent ...

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." - Joshua 5:12
Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

SPIRITUAL INSIGHT— from James Weeder

"Whoever is in Christ is a new creation. God has reconciled us to himself through Christ. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." What is it that finally moves the prodigal son to return home? His hunger. Experiencing his own poverty, he remembers where he can find "more than enough"—his father's house. At first, believing that his father will feed him merely as he feeds his household servants, the son sets out. He goes hoping for scraps of manna, yet he is received like the Israelites into the Promised Land and set before a feast. Dressed in the effects of the Father's own authority, we "become the righteousness of God." God's love for us is even greater than we imagine (Magnificat, March 2025).

May we recognize that the hunger of our hearts can in reality only be satisfied by God. Therefore, let us like the prodigal son, return home in repentance to the loving embrace of our Heavenly Father who desires to offer us mercy, especially in the sacrament of reconciliation. Along with the regularly scheduled confession times please see the front of the bulletin for additional times.



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 Nep.-Howells		10:30 am



Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer
Weekend of April 6th

WORD: Rita Eichelberger
EMHC: Mary Mostek
SERVER: Elijah & Easley Woodbury
USHER: Mike Gentrup

Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner
Weekend of April 6th

LEC: Bonnie Styskal
EMHC: Sally Harms
EMHC 2: Shane Batenhorst
SERV: Aidan McBride, Cooper Schultz, Kasey Kilcoin
OFF: AJ Burki
USHER: April Men's Group

Stewardship of God's Gifts	
Holy Cross—March 23rd, 2025	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,190.00
Plate:	64.00
Children:	25.00
Tithe.ly Online:	200.00
Building:	10.00
Total:	\$1,489.00

MONEY COUNTERS
Sunday, Mar. 30th—Team #4 AJ & Lindsey Burki, Chris & Brenda Liermann
Sunday, Apr. 6th—Team #1 Mary VonSeggern, Chris Ruskamp, Lori Ruskamp, Steve Ausdemore


MEN'S WORK GROUP—APRIL 2025
Chair: Trevor Cyboron
Co-Chair: Alan Harms
Members: Chad Dixon, Devon Dixon, Brad Cornell, Sid Kneifl, AJ Burki, Craig Kreikemeier, Keith Schrotlin

HOLY CROSS ALTAR SOCIETY will be holding their meeting Monday, April 7th, at 5:00 p.m. at the rectory.

RICE BOWLS are still available on the tables at both churches. Please pick one up to learn about those in other countries and their need for your help. We are so well fed here that we have to help those who are not.

Stewardship of God's Gifts	
St. Joseph—March 23rd, 2025	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$980.00
Plate:	141.00
Children:	37.00
Cemetery:	220.00
Tithe.ly Online:	293.34

KIDS IN CRISIS PROJECT: Can you help us 4th graders with our "Kids in Crisis" project? We need donations of stuff that kids will need when they have to get out of a place that's dangerous. Mostly we need bathroom things like regular-size shampoo, soap, deodorant, and brushes and maybe socks. We will put the things in bags and deliver them to The Bridge Crisis Center in West Point. There is a box in the back of church if you have donations. Or you can give money and our teachers will buy things. Thank you from the 4th grade religious education class. Please donate by Easter.



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

Birthdays
 Scott Ortmeier March 31

Anniversaries
 Eric and Linda Robinson April 3

LENTEN SERVICES
At Holy Cross—Beemer
Stations of the Cross 7:00pm
 Fridays, Starting March 7th—April 11th


COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER
for AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
 Sunday, April 6th
 10:30am—2:00pm
 Nielsen Community Center in West Point
 Featuring:
 Breakfast by the Waffleman—Free will donation
 Silent Auction
 Survivor Recognition
 Luminaria Display
 For more details contact Donna Greve 402-380-1097

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATIONS
St. Joseph—Wednesday, April 9th 5-6 pm
Holy Cross—Thursday, April 10th 5-7 pm



Youth Mass—2025
 So proud of this group of students!!!
 They did an amazing job.

MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	31	—	—	NO MASS
Tue	01	8:00 AM	HC	+ Jean Meier
Wed	02	9:30 AM	WCC	+ Lori Hollman Ruskamp
Thu	03	8:00 AM	SJ	+ Norbert Oligmueller
Fri	04	9:00 AM	CHB	+ Ray & Odelia Steffensmeier
Sat	05	—	—	NO MASS
Sun	06	8:30 AM	HC	+ Fred & Rita McNamara + Elaine Throener
Sun	06	10:00 AM	SJ	+ James Kuchar
SJ—St. Joseph's		HC—Holy Cross		
WCC—Wisner Care Center		CHB—Colonial Haven Beemer		

 **EASTER LILY DONATIONS:** There is a sign up sheet in the back of church for Easter lilies and flowers in the remembrance of your loved ones. Suggested donation for lilies is \$20 each. Please complete the form as you would like to have the names listed. Thank you.

Men's Lenten Breakfast
At the United Methodist Church of Christ

Men and boys of all ages are encouraged to attend this event each Thursday during Lent. Breakfast is served at 6:45 a.m. followed by a short message at 7:00. A free-will donation is accepted, and the proceeds go to the Wisner Ministerial Association to help members in our community who are in need.