

**St. Joseph Church**

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Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass  
or by appointment

**Palm Sunday  
April 13th, 2025**

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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.



**HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE**

**Holy Thursday—April 17th**

5:00 pm	St. Joseph—Wisner
7:00 pm	St. John's—Howells
7:00 pm	Holy Cross—Beemer
7:00 pm	St. Mary—West Point

**Good Friday—April 18th**

3:00 pm	Holy Cross—Beemer
3:00 pm	St. Mary—West Point
3:00 pm	St. Wenceslaus—Dodge
5:00 pm	Sacred Heart—Olean
5:30 pm	St. Joseph—Wisner
7:00 pm	St. John's—Howells
7:00 pm	St. Mary—West Point

**Holy Saturday—April 19th**

8:30 pm	St. Joseph—Wisner
8:30 pm	St. Mary—West Point
8:30 pm	St. Wenceslaus—Dodge

**Easter Sunday—April 20th**

7:00 am	St. John's—Howells
7:30 am	St. Aloysius—Aloys
8:30 am	Holy Cross—Beemer
9:00 am	St. Wenceslaus—Dodge
9:30 am	St. Boniface—Monterey
10:00 am	St. Joseph—Wisner
10:00 am	St. Mary—West Point
10:30 am	St. John's—Howells

**April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday**

“...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me.” Luke 22:34. How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

**SPIRITUAL INSIGHT— Fr. Walter**

St. Augustine says that “If you ask me what the essential thing in the religion and discipline of Jesus Christ is, I shall reply: first, humility; second, humility, and third, humility.” James 4:6 says “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” The humble King takes on a human nature to be able to suffer for us. That is quite a decent to take on a human nature beside having a divine nature. Jesus shows us the way to holiness: it is a continual descent. He shows us to ascend in the spiritual life is to descend in the world. The cross is the ultimate display of the total descent of Jesus: He is totally humiliated, hated by many, crucified by us for our sins, rejected by His own disciples, mocked and spat upon, and He keeps on loving and forgiving. Jesus comes against the root of all sin, pride. It is all about me and my will: my will be done on earth as it is in heaven; that is what we say each time we sin. But Jesus shows us what true love does: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven no matter how painful and difficult it is. Do you see how humble His Mother was by staying by His side when many flee and are too embarrassed to acknowledge Him as Savior? The leaders in their pride and blindness crucify Jesus and hate His incredible humility and love for the poor, broken and sinners. Their pride blocks them to the grace God wants to pour into their hearts to make them repent and accept the truth that Jesus was trying to save them from sin. Jesus shows us that in utmost humility, He receives the power of the Holy Spirit, the Love of the Father to conquer sin and death. Jesus does not look at the cross as a defeat and total humiliation; He sees it from the Father's perspective a total victory over sin and death, the glory of the Son manifested by honoring His Father to die for our sins. Let us ask for this grace that our crosses that humble us, are carried with Jesus and Mary, to glorify the Father by the power of the Spirit; for those who are humbled He exalts.



**HOLY WEEK**

Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer

EMHC

Holy Thursday: Ann Bausch; Good Friday: Mary Mostek;

Weekend of April 20th—Easter Sunday

WORD: Marilyn Ortmeier

EMHC: Ann Bausch

SERVER: Ben Oligmueller, Stella Guenther

USHER: Scott Ortmeier

Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner

Holy Thursday—April 17th

LEC: Holly Schroeder

EMHC: Linda Hansen

SERV: Maddisyn Lampman, Myles Lampman, Jayce Schuetze

OFF: Tony Lampman

Good Friday—April 18th

LEC: Richard Schultz, Dave McGuire

EMHC: Alan Harms

SERVER: Ghia Bramble, Angel Ramirez-Lugo, Jerik Lueken

OFF: Kelly & Jackie Lueken

Holy Saturday—April 19th

LEC: Diane Davies, Steve McGuire

EMHC: Anne Ausdemore

SERV: Ella Jacobs, Henry Jacobs, Aiden Soto-Good

OFF: Austen Godbersen

Weekend of April 20th—Easter Sunday

LEC: Chirs Ruskamp

EMHC: Martha Schweers

EMHC 2: Kathy Johnson

SERV: Leighton Porter, Nora Porter, Karla Millan

OFF: Mark Porter

**MONEY COUNTERS**

Sunday, Apr. 13th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder

Sunday, Apr. 20th—Team #3 Steve McGuire, Chad Ludwig, Dave Oligmueller, Kris Brahmer

**MEN'S WORK GROUP—APRIL 2025**

Chair: Trevor Cyboron

Co-Chair: Alan Harms

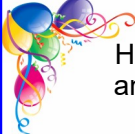
Members: Chad Dixon, Devon Dixon, Brad Cornell, Sid Kneifl, AJ Burki, Craig Kreikemeier, Keith Schrotlin

**Stewardship of God's Gifts**

**Holy Cross—April 6, 2025**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$661.00
Plate:	58.00
Children:	12.00
Tithe.ly Online:	150.00
Easter:	200.00
Easter Flowers:	85.00
Total:	\$1,166.00

**ADORATION HOURS for Thursday night:** Q-Z: 8-9; A-G: 9-10; H-M: 10-11; N-P: 11-Midnight (Closing)  
Please come pray and rest for your hour with Jesus. All are welcome.



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

**Birthdays**  
Gauge Bramble April 13  
Marjorie Gentrup April 14  
Ella Schulz April 17

**No Anniversaries**

**WORKS OF MERCY ENVELOPES & RICE BOWLS**

**ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS**

Please place your envelopes and bowls in the collection basket anytime during Holy Week. Works of Mercy envelopes are divided between 9 organizations. There are many in need of your generosity.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon	14	—	—	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tue	15	8:00 AM	HC	For the health of Mike Mestl
Wed	16	9:30 AM	WCC	+ Ralph & Evelyn Buse
Thu	17	5:00 PM	SJ	** No Morning Mass Holy Thursday
Thu	17	7:00 PM	HC	Holy Thursday
Fri	18	3:00 PM	HC	** No Morning Mass Good Friday
Fri	18	5:30 PM	SJ	Good Friday
Sat	19	8:30 PM	SJ	Holy Saturday
Sun	20	8:30 AM	HC	Easter Sunday
Sun	20	10:00 AM	SJ	Easter Sunday

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

**Stewardship of God's Gifts**

**St. Joseph—April 6, 2025**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$2,885.00
Plate:	440.00
Children:	93.00
Tithe.ly Online:	172.12
Insurance:	150.00
Heating/AC:	275.00

**PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION:** The council election will take place the weekend of Sunday, May 11th. Each registered adult member of St. Joseph's Church will vote for 2 men and 2 women from the ballot. Parishioners on this year's ballot will be: Alfredo DeCostanzo, Daneille Schrotlin, Chris Liermann, Jessie Godbersen, Dixon Godbersen, Kyla Miller, Arvid Hass, and Sally Harms.

**NEW OFFICERS:** St Joseph's Ladies Guild has new officers. They are: President Holly Schroeder, Secretary Callie Overturf, Treasurer Jackie Lueken. This is a 3-year term. Thank You Ladies!

**SENIORS & SENIOR PARENTS:** Senior Sunday invites have been mailed. Please RSVP to Barb Deitloff or Rina McGuire.

**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.

**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.

**Religious Education**

**ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS – GRADES K-12**

**Grades K-6:** The students finished reciting prayers for the year and did an excellent job. This week: April 16<sup>th</sup> - there will be regular class with Stations of the Cross.

**Grades 7-9 Confirmation Class:** Watched the movie "The Shack" which takes a man on a spiritual journey and is all about faith, forgiveness and love.

**Grades 10-12:** We discussed Holy Week and made resurrection rolls.

This week: April 16<sup>th</sup> - No evening class.