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Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass or by appointment

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 28th, 2025

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

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Announcements for:

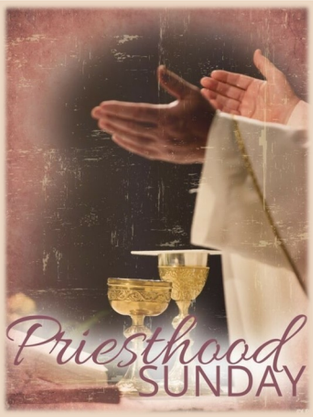
ST. JOSEPH FAMILY OF PARISHES



Alpha—Meets Tuesday's from 6-8pm. A series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. A meal and childcare are provided.

Contact Renee Eames at raeames@archomaha.org, or by phone at 402-455-2314.

Everyone is welcome!!



Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy,
We approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood.

You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church.

We pray for them in their daily work.

Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand.

Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one.

It is through the sacraments they confer that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way.

May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ, never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son.

Amen.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

….“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established…” LUKE 16:25-2

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little, or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

SPIRITUAL INSIGHT— Fr. Matthias Sule

OUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS MONEY: The story of the rich man and Lazarus is a story we can all identify with whether rich or poor. It is important to note that the rich man did not become wealthy through a dishonest means. He did not abuse Lazarus and he was not responsible for making Lazarus to become poor. The only crime he committed is that he did not care about someone in need, he lacked consciousness, he lacked connection and he also lacked awareness an inability to listen to the cry of others. However, while we may be fast to condemn the rich man, let us remember that this rich man may still be better than you and I today. He did allow Lazarus to live at the entrance to his house, which most of us would never allow to happen in the world today. Keep this in mind, the poor are not here to take away our joy but to provide us an opportunity to gain salvation for our souls, through acts of charity and love for those in need. Today it is the story of the rich man and his act of neglect. The next story could be mine: “When I am gone, what story will my life tell? Will it speak of sacrifice, compassion, and love or will it echo with fear selfishness, and regret?”

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-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-West Point		10:00 am
St. John Nep.-Howells		10:30 am

Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer
Weekend of October 5th

WORD: Marilyn Ortmeier
EMHC: Brenda Anderson
SERVER: Eisley & Elim Woodbury
USHER: Mike Gentrup

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—September 21, 2025	
Envelopes:	$625.00
Plate:	49.00
Children:	20.00
Tithe.ly Online:	200.00
Insurance:	20.00
Total:	$$914.00

OCTOBER MOWING GROUP- Chair: Sam Steffensmeier Co-Chair: Doug Steffensmeier; Members: Brian Oligmueller, Ron Steiren, Shane Coombs, Paul Schlickbernd

LIFE CHAIN— We will again have life chain in Beemer on October 5, 2025. This is a peaceful, prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans. We will stand and pray, and hold signs in front of Nutrien Ag along Highway 275 in Beemer, at 630 Front St. from 2 to 3 PM. Signs will be provided, everyone is welcome, and you can bring a chair.

Celebrations:

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

Birthdays
Mason Praest September 29
Doris Guenther October 1
Frannie Guenther October 2
Ben Borgmann October 4

No Anniversaries

BRUNCH & BREWS: Fundraiser for the Beemer Fire Auxiliary. Sunday, Sep. 28th, from 10:00 am-1:00 pm at the Beemer Ballroom. Serving French toast, eggs, and sausage. Free will donation for food. Cash bar by the fire department for Bloody Marys & Mimosas.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Starting October 6th thru November 24th
Mondays: 6:00 pm—7:00 pm
St. Joseph Retirement Community - The Steven Room
Registration is required as space is limited
as well as for material purposes.
Call Tom Manhart at 402-372-6708
or email tmanhart@franhealth.org
Flyer in the back of church with full details.

MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	29	—	—	**NO MASS**
Tue	30	8:00 AM	HC	+ Joyce Schlickbernd
Wed	01	9:30 AM	WCC	+ Terry Buderus
Thu	02	8:00 AM	SJ	+ Leo, Flavia, & Bill Ausdemore
Fri	03	9:00 AM	CHB	+ Frank & Ida Wisnieski And granddaughter Vicki
Sat	04	—	—	**NO MASS**
Sun	05	8:30 AM	HC	+ Fred & Rita McNamara + Ben & Catherine Franzluebbers
Sun	05	10:00 AM	SJ	+ James Kuchar + Doug Peterson

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

Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner
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LEC: Bonnie Styskal
EMHC: Sally Harms
EMHC2: Madonna Servi
SERVER: Ghia Bramble, Deidrick Bodwell, Maddisyn Lampman
OFF: Ruth Bloedorn
USHER: October Men's Group

MONEY COUNTERS
Sunday, Sep. 28th—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder
Sunday, Oct. 5th—Team #3 Steve McGuire, Chad Ludwig, Dave Oligmueller, Kris Brahmer

MEN'S WORK GROUP—OCTOBER 2025
Chair: Tony Lampman
Co-Chair: A.J. Kluthe
Members: Rich Bodwell, Russ Loberg, Chris Liermann, Ken Duncan, Marvin Seier, Greg Schlautman, Tycin Lampman

Stewardship of God's Gifts St. Joseph—September 21, 2025	
Sunday Envelopes:	$1,350.00
Plate:	140.00
Children:	31.00
Tithe.ly Online:	393.34
Rel. Ed.:	50.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE… Copies for the 4th quarter are available on the bulletin board in the back of church. Copies were also sent home from Rel Ed for the servers.



HELLO PARISHIONERS…
Have you ever thought about being a volunteer to **lector or EMHC** (distributing communion)? You are in luck. The training is done online and can be done at your own convenience! All you have to do is contact the Parish Office at 402-529-3891 or email stjo68791@gmail.com to get the link to get started.

MANY THANKS to these parishioners who, on behalf of St. Joseph's, delivered Meals-on-Wheels last week: Barb Deitloff, Carmen Godbersen, Jeanette Marx, Tammie Batenhorst, and Carol Oligmueller

meals on wheels

COLLECTION FOR GAZA: Pope Leo has asked for a special collection for the people in Gaza. Families there are enduring catastrophic conditions as hostilities escalate and basic necessities for survival vanish. There will be a second collection on Oct. 4 & 5, at both St. Joseph and Holy Cross Parishes. Thank you.

Religious Education

Grades K-6: The first grade had a God's Nature Walk and Scavenger Hunt outside. Students will recite prayers on October 8th and prayers were sent home with them. Please help them learn these prayers.

Grade 7: Continued Confirmation introductory lessons.

Grades 8-10: Confirmation Class: Reviewed confirmation test they took at beginning of year.

Evening ended with closing prayer in church.

How many times have you thanked your pastor or associates, for ministering in your parish? I hope every time you see them you thank them. They have given up much to live a life of service to God's people.