St. Joseph Church
PO Box 623
1318 Ave G West
Wisner, NE 68791
Parish Office: 529-3891
www.stjosephwisner.org
Reconciliation: Sundays after Mass or by appointment

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 15th , 2026

Pastor: Fr. James Weeder
402-372-2188
Email: jmweeder@archomaha.org

Holy Cross Parish
PO Box 212
517 N Fraisier
Beemer, NE 68716
Phone: 528-3475
www.holycrossbeemer.org
Reconciliation: Sundays 8:00-8:20 am or by appt.

Associate Pastors: Fr. Joseph Broudou and Fr. Walter Jong-a-Kiem

St. Joseph and Holy Cross Bulletin and Office Email: stjo68791@gmail.com



Announcements for:

ST. JOSEPH FAMILY OF PARISHES

NOTES FROM FR. WEEDER:

All Souls Commemoration – If you would like the parish to remember a loved one who has passed away, there are books where you can sign their name located at each parish.

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

WHY REGISTER IN A PARISH?

A Catholic parish is the single most important part of our Catholic Church. This is where we continue the mission of Jesus Christ. This is where we publicly express our faith, joining together with others to give witness of our communion with God and with one another.

There are many reasons to register:

- A sense of belonging and identity in a parish community.
- Provides the parish community with a way to welcome you.
- In times of joy and in times of struggle, it is comforting to have the support of a faith family.
- It is a commitment to practice your faith. Gives a chance for you and your family to be counted and heard in the parish.
- Being included in the demographics of the parish helps in the planning for the needs of the parish. Gives the parish a way to connect with you.
- In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, or Holy Matrimony you will need to be a registered member.
- For religious education instruction and Sacramental preparation.

For more information on registering, please call the parish office at 402-529-3891 or you may visit our website at: stjosephwisner.org

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 25:14-30

A friend once took his young adult son to the casino for his birthday. He handed him $100 and said, “Let’s have a great time.” The son, a graduate student with limited money, quietly pocketed the money and refused to play. “I don’t want to lose it,” he said. But he missed the point: the money was not really his to pocket; it was his father’s invitation to share an experience together.

God sees our gifts a bit like this. In Jesus’ parable, a servant buries his master’s talent and explains: “Master, I knew you were a demanding person...so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground” (Matthew 25:24-25). The master condemns him not for failure but for refusing to risk. The servant’s fear distorts his image of the master and leads to a small, loveless response. No love, no risk. No risk, no relationship.

How easily we fall into this trap! We treat God’s gifts as fragile possessions rather than invitations. We play it safe, avoid risk, and tell ourselves we are wise and God is cruel. But Jesus praises those who trust the Master’s goodness enough to act boldly. They are not reckless but confident enough in their Master to risk their gifts for Him.

So, what is my interior story about God right now? Is it marked by generosity, adventure, and trust? Or by fear, caution, and suspicion? That hidden narrative shapes everything. Because love, by its nature, always takes risks with, and for, the beloved.

— Father John Muir

Welcome to St. Josephs Church and Holy Cross Parish

WELCOME TO ALL—We invite each family and/or individual to register with our parishes. Registration enables the parish staff to assist you at the time of baptism, marriage, illness or death. All 18 and over, please register at the parish office by email:

For St. Joseph—stjo68791@gmail.com
For Holy Cross—renaecarlson@hotmail.com

Or contact the parish office at 402-529-3891

Saint Joseph Parish Council Members 2026-2027	
Chris Liermann—President	Richard Bodwell
Arvid Hass	Todd Schroeder
Kyla Miller—Secretary	Morgan Feller
Jessie Godbersen	Paige Godbersen
For contact information, please see the parish directory	

Holy Cross Parish Council Members 2026-2027	
Mike Guenther—Pres.	Trisha Robertson—Sec.
Mike Gentrup	Karen Spenner
Robert Praest	Michelle Borgmann
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Liturgical Ministers—Holy Cross, Beemer
Weekend of November 22nd

WORD: Doris Guenther
EMHC: Dennis Mostek
SERVER: Stella & Max Guenther
USHER: Brad Schulz

Stewardship of God's Gifts Holy Cross—November 8th, 2026	
Sunday Envelopes:	$496.00
Plate:	259.00
Children:	21.00
Tithely Online:	100.00
All Saints:	55.00
Total:	$931.00



Celebrations:

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

Birthdays
Rita Eichelberger November 15
Max Guenther November 16
Roy Liermann November 16
Bill McNamara November 21

No Anniversaries

ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS
EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

There will be an early deadline Thanksgiving week. Please have all announcements emailed to the parish office **by 9:00 am on Tuesday, November 24th.**

MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	16	—	—	**NO MASS**
Tue	17	8:00 AM	HC	Lvng & Dec'd Family of Ben & Catherine Franzluebbers
Wed	18	—	—	**NO MASS**
Thu	19	—	—	**NO MASS**
Fri	20	9:00 AM	CHB	Residents of Colonial Haven
Sat	21	—	—	**NO MASS**
Sun	22	8:30 AM	HC	+ The Souls in Purgatory
Sun	22	10:00 AM	SJ	+ John Davies + Herb Albers

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

MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES:
St. Joseph and Holy Cross.
There are envelopes available in the back of church. If you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one, complete the envelope and place in the collection basket or contact Sarah at the parish office 402-529-3891, or email the info to stjo68791@gmail.com.
The suggested donation is $10.00 per Mass.

Liturgical Ministers—St. Joseph, Wisner
Weekend of November 22nd

LEC: Danielle Schroetlin
EMHC: Alan Harms
EMHC 2: Capri McGuire
SERV: Knoxyn Thies, James Bloedorn, Diego Dominguez
OFF: Steve McGuire
USHER: Nov. Men's Group

MONEY COUNTERS
Sunday, Nov. 15th—Team #1 Mary VonSeggern, Chris Ruskamp, Lor Ruskamp, Steve Ausdemore
Sunday, Nov. 22nd—Team #2 Norm Weber, Shane Batenhorst, Todd Schroeder

MEN'S WORK GROUP—November 2026
Chair: Terry Soden
Co-Chair: Ron Machacek
Members: Shawn Davie, Doug Oertwich, Bernie Ruskamp, Adam Brahmer, Tyler McBride, Jeff Ricker, Dan Kane

Stewardship of God's Gifts St. Joseph—November 8th, 2026	
Sunday Envelopes:	$870.00
Plate:	251.00
Children:	37.00
Tithely Online:	603.61
Heating/AC:	$10.00



Thanks to these volunteers and everyone else who is so willing to help deliver Meals-on-Wheels when they are able! Delivering this week: Carol Oligmueller, Tammie Batenhorst, Bonnie Styskal, Rina McGuire, Carmen Godbersen, Anne Ausdemore.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: There are copies of the new ministry schedule available on the bulletin board at the back of church for those that did not get one via email.

2027 CALENDARS are here!! Pick yours up from the table in the back of church.

PRIEST AVAILABILITY ST. JOSEPH & HOLY CROSS
Fr. Weeder or Fr. Joseph will be available at the Wisner rectory after Mass on Wednesdays and Thursdays to attend to any spiritual needs. They will generally be staying after Mass until around noon. Feel free to stop by, or you may call to set up an appointment at 402-529-3891.

DO YOU ENJOY DECORATING, arranging flowers, or simply lending a helping hand? Our Environment Committee is looking for new members to help prepare and beautify our worship space for the upcoming liturgical seasons. No prior experience is needed—just a willingness to help make our church feel warm and welcoming throughout the year. If you would like to join or learn more, please contact Tammie Batenhorst 402-380-0791 or Sarah Jacobs at the parish office 402-529-3891.

ST. JOSEPH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-6: Kindergarten students got creative by making Thankful Turkeys! They talked about the many blessings God has given them and what they are thankful for, reminding us to always have grateful hearts.

Grades 7-12: We did an opening prayer for Veteran's Day and lighted a candle for each of the 6 branches of the Armed Forces. We talked about the event we attended in Norfolk last week which was a presentation on the Eucharist.

The confirmation classes are continuing their lessons.

9th & 10th Grades did a lesson on "What is a Good Friend", "Our Relationship With Jesus" and "What Is The Best Gift They Ever Received".

11th & 12th Grades discussed the book of remembrance and visited the 7th graders to help them with serving questions.

ALL GRADES: Looking ahead there will be no class on November 25th, in observance of Thanksgiving