

## News and Announcements:

**MESSAGE FROM FR. KRAMPER:** When I was in an art class in high school, I was given the assignment to print a Thanksgiving message on a scroll. Now, almost 60 years later, I can still remember the message. It was a prayer that went like this: "Lord, you have given me so many blessings. Please give me one more . . . A grateful heart." We human beings are the only part of God's creation who can choose to give thanks to God. Let us use our free will this Thanksgiving and all times to give thanks . . . To praise God for his wonderful gifts! **Fundraising Update:** The Casa de Paz. Fundraiser went up another \$200!

**AMERICAN LEGION** The Harty-McNally American Legion Post #175 is having a Steak Sale Fundraiser on Monday, November 21 from 3-6 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Jackson, NE. Steaks can be pre-ordered and picked up on Monday, November 21 or you are welcome to purchase steaks that day. Call Julie at 712-294-4445 for more information or to pre-order. **Please spread the word to friends and family.**

**ST. PETER'S FAMILIES:** Please turn your family history in to any committee member for the 150th book asap. Committee members are Carol Koch, LouAnn Kneifl, MaryAnn Kneifl, Lavonne Bauman or Sherry Rolfes. Call if you need help.

**BULLETIN NEWS:** If you would like to submit an item for the bulletin, please email it to: cstwohig@archomaha.org. Items need to be received by Tuesday to be included in that weekends bulletin.

### Archdiocese Annual Appeal

Your support for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps keep our churches open. If we did not have the support of the Archdiocese we could not afford to pay for all the services they are currently providing for each parish.

You may donate online at: [www.archomaha.org](http://www.archomaha.org)

*Please participate.*

### St. Joseph's Goal - \$14,340.00

Collected: \$5,115.00

### St. Patrick's Goal - \$11,897.00

Collected: \$4,255.00

### St. Peter's Goal - \$5,748.00

Collected: \$3,717.00

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Hours vary. Please call ahead.

**Fridays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

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#### **Pastor,** Rev. Andrew Sohm

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**St. Joseph's** - Chairperson: Bob Logue - cell: 712-259-2581. Members: Tony Stark, Dave Hansen, Natalie Leader, Phil Lowe

**St. Patrick's** - Chairperson - Bill Fitzgerald - Cell: 712-223-4355. Members: Ron Gill, Doyle Van Dyke.

**St. Peter's** - Chairperson: Mike Sorenson - Cell: 712-898-2379. Members: Paul Pfister, Todd Rosen-er, Greg Kneifl, Darrel Wieseler.

#### **Joint Parish Council:**

**Members:** Roger Bentz, John Lowe, Ginny Keller, Mary Kay Mahler, Dan McNear.

#### **Finance Council:**

**St. Joseph's** - Kevin Connot, Heather Rush, and Deb Krause

**St. Patrick's** - Patty Dinges 712-490-8024; Doug Nelson 712-203-0281; and Larry Ney, 712-253-5616

**St. Peter's** - Bryan Gotch, Ellen Kneifl, and Alan Kneifl

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#### **Facebook:**

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### ST. JOSEPH'S

Established in 1890  
420 West Second Street, Ponca  
Mass Time: Sunday, 10:00 am

Office Phone: 402.755.2773

#### Office Hours:

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm,

Fridays: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

(hours vary so please call first)

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**St. Joseph's Crusaders:**  
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Paula Wendte: 712-251-4732  
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Roger Bentz: 712-223-0317  
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**St. Peter's Servers:**  
Lupita Chase: 402-360-2507  
John Lowe: 605-670-0233  
Deacon Dennis Knudsen: 605-670-9958



### ST. PATRICK'S

Established in 1856  
119 East Elk Street, Jackson  
Mass Time: Saturday, 5:00 pm

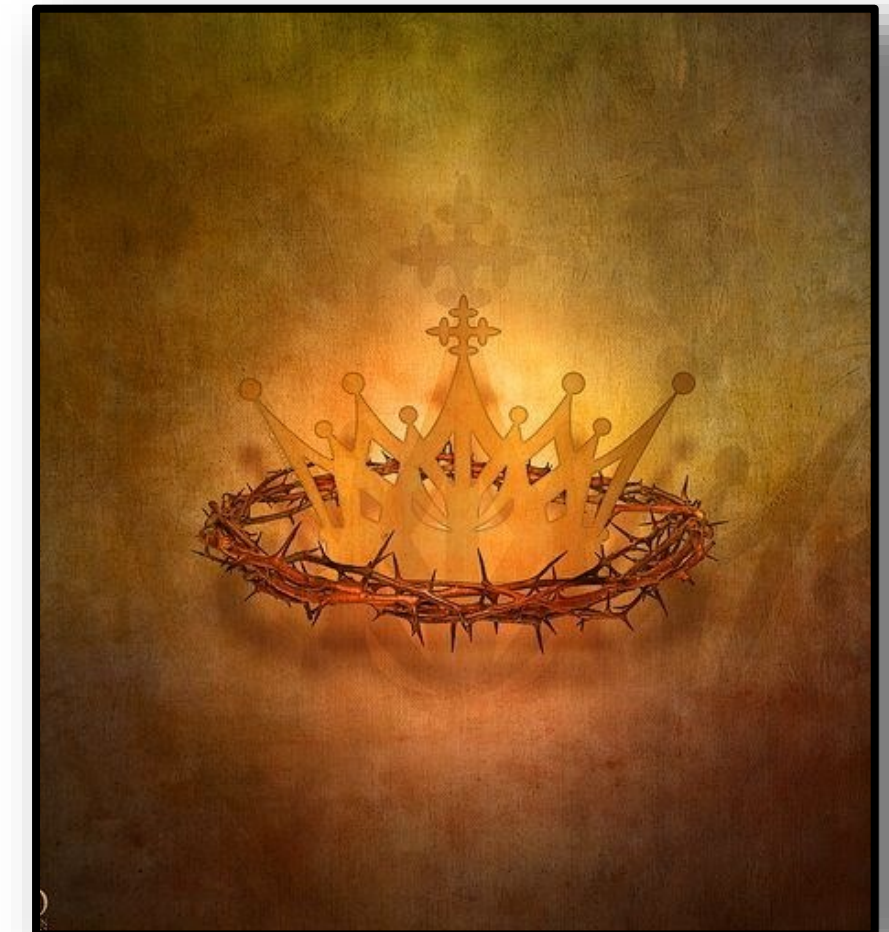


### ST. PETER'S

Established in 1873  
403 Annie Street, Newcastle  
Mass Time: Sunday, 8:00 am

November 20, 2022

Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King Of The Universe







## A Message From

**Fr. Andy**

Nothing has prepared me other than God's will be done as I type this message. Let me begin by letting you all know how much I care for all of you and that my heart goes out to

you. I pray that I'm typing this message in a way that is clear. There was confusion on how I communicated after mass last weekend as I spoke of the committee. The committee is the teams of people from each of the parishes in our two circles. Each parish in the circle has one member on the committee. Deacon Dennis Knudsen represents St. Peter's, Kevin Connot represents St. Joseph's and Paula Wendte represents St. Patrick's. I give thanks to God for these people serving on the committee. I also serve on both committees. We spent hours creating a mass schedule that will be effective come July 2023.

Our parish teams of St. Peter's, St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's did not make the decisions for the mass schedule. This has been announced earlier but to clarify, St. Patrick's will have a Sunday Mass this July at 9:15 a.m. (Again this came from the circle of parishes that St. Patrick's is part of). This circle moved a little faster and was able to announce quicker than the circle with St. Josephs and St. Peters. With that being said, come this July, St. Peter's will no longer have a weekend mass. St. Joseph's will have a Sunday mass of 8:00 a.m. I want to stress again this came from the committee of all the parishes and priests in that circle. This was not decided upon by St. Joseph's and St. Peter's alone and the same is true for St. Patrick's. Please see the insert in the bulletin this weekend for more details. I want to stress this does not mean in any way that St. Peter's is closing. I will be meeting with the finance committee, maintenance committee, cemetery board, and sodality for St. Peter's to decide how we will go forward with no Sunday Mass. St. Peter's will have the Holy Day Masses through out the year and St. Joseph's will no longer have Holy Day Masses. Please keep all of this in your prayers. Nothing will be finalized on this until the archbishop has approved.

I have spent a lot of time working directly with the archdiocese to create a series of prayers that will lead us through our Advent and the changes that are coming.

### Advent Prayer Series

As we continue down the path of the Journey of Faith, the whole Archdiocese is pausing during the month of December to prepare and await the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. The Lord placed a desire on my heart to lead an Advent prayer series to ask Him for the graces of:

Healing and trust in God.

Understanding and wisdom from God about what it means to belong to a Family of Parishes.

Each week we will gather in the church for a short time of catechesis on prayer and then adoration with a holy hour. During the holy hour I will lead prayer with scripture and questions to ponder with the Lord.

Our First Sessions of Prayer will be: November 26, 10 am St. Patrick's. December 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph's and December 15 at St. Peter's, both at 7:00 pm. They will cover:

### Scripture passages and questions

Luke 7: 36-50 – woman washes Jesus' feet with tears (personal healing)

In what ways does my life feel burdensome?

What do you wish Jesus could do for you?

How does Jesus respond to my desires?

Please try and come to these prayer times. After each prayer session I will be available as long as needed to hear confessions. There will be three sessions rotating back and forth between St. Joseph's and St. Peter's. Those dates are December 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph's, December 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Peter's and December 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Joseph's all at 7:00 p.m. and last-ing approximately ninety minutes. There will also be three session at St. Patrick's and they will be November 26<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and December 10<sup>th</sup> all at 10:00 a.m. These sessions will last approximately ninety minutes as well. Please bring something to write with. If there is bad weather and we have to cancel any of these sessions we will send a message out via Flock Note. Please have a friend you can call if you do not have Flock Note to see if we had to cancel due to weather.

I want to wish your family a very Happy Thanksgiving. We do have so much to be thankful for. Please note we will have one Thanksgiving mass on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's church. Feel free to bring items for your Thanksgiving table you would like to bless. You can leave it by the altar and I will bless the items before the final blessing. There will be no mass on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of November. I pray you have a wonderful week. Please pray for me and please know in my prayers you remain.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Andy

## Ministry Schedule:

### Saturday, November 26- St. Patrick's - 5:00 pm

Altar Server:..... Ryan Husen  
Altar Server:..... Will Husen  
Lector ..... Judy Twohig  
Music: ..... Scott Webb & Choir

### Sunday, November 27- St. Peter's - 8:00 am

Altar Server:..... Lily Heikes  
Altar Server:..... Dylan Heikes  
Lector:..... Pamela Heikes  
OMHC: ..... Deacon Dennis  
Music: ..... Carol Koch  
Ushers: ..... Randy Kneifl & Chad Kneifl  
Money Counter - Ellen Kneifl

### Sunday, November 27- St. Joseph's 10:00 am

Altar Server:..... Jerod Nelson  
Altar Server:..... Joshua Nelson  
Lector:..... Vicki Irby  
Music: ..... Michael Gibbs  
Ushers: ..... Adam Poulosky & Phil Lowe

## Mass Times & Intentions:

Daily mass will be said at St. Peter's Tuesday - Friday at 9:00 AM.  
Weekend Mass will be live streamed on Facebook from St. Peter's on Sundays at 8:00 AM.  
You may watch these masses later on YouTube.  
Go to youtube.com and search Ponca, Newcastle, Jackson.

### Monday, November 21– Casa de Paz

7:00 pm ... Mike Kneifl Family

### Tuesday, November 22– St. Peter's

9:00 am ... Bill McNear

### Thanksgiving Mass, November 23– St. Joseph's

7:30 pm ... Leonard & Faye Marron

### Thursday, November 24– No Mass

### Friday, November 25– No Mass

### Saturday, November 26– St. Patrick's

5:00 pm... Pro Populo

### Sunday, November 27- St. Peter's & St. Joseph's

8:00 am ... (St. Peter's) Mary Lou Pfister  
10:00 am ... (St. Joseph's) Spec. Int. Sandy & Mick Biggerstaff



## Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of November 13

*"God will not be out done in generosity!"*

**St. Joseph's Sunday Offerings.....\$1,190.00**

Fuel & Heat.....\$330.00

**St. Patrick's Sunday Offerings.....\$2,003.00**

Fuel & Heat.....\$400.00

**St. Peter's Sunday Offerings.....\$1,449.00**

Fuel & Heat.....\$126.00

*Please remember to write separate checks for Altar Society dues, Cemetery donations and Mass intentions.*

