

News and Announcements:

SOUTH CREEK CALVARY CEMETERY: The paving project is completed. Please consider donating to this project to offset this considerable expense. Please make donations payable to: South Creek Calvary Cemetery and mail to the treasurer: Patty Sullivan, 59132 Hwy 9, Ponca, NE 68770 or you may put it in an envelope addressed to South Creek Cemetery and drop it in the collection basket. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Patty at 712-223-1673.

OACCW will have their quarterly meeting Tuesday, August 9th with registration at 9:30 and rolls, coffee and lunch, ends at 3:00. Cost is \$10. All are invited. Please contact Sherry Rolfes at 402-355-2372 for a head count for food.

USHERS NEEDED AT ST. JOSEPH'S: If you are available to usher for St. Joseph's, please contact Cheri. You can email her or leave a message at the office. (Contact info in this bulletin).

NEWCASTLE FIRE/RESCUE RIB COOKOFF & CORNHOLE TOURNAY: Join us for a rib cookoff, cornhole tourney and silent auction. Sunday, September 4th. Cornhole at 1:00pm, registration from 11am—12:30 pm. Rib Cookoff will be judged around 4:00 pm. Anyone is welcome to enter the rib cookoff but spots are limited to the first 20 teams. No Coolers. If you would like to donate to the fundraiser or have an item for the silent auction, please contact Jessica Gotch at 712-898-3190. Contact John Kneifl to register for the Rib Cookoff. John 402-404-1718.

HOLY TRINITY GARAGE SALE: The Holy Trinity Garage Sale is Thursday, August 11 through Saturday, August 13 at the Skylon Ballroom in Hartington, NE. Thurs: 8 AM until 8 PM, Friday: 8AM – 6PM, and Saturday: 8AM – Noon. All are welcome!!!



Mowing Schedule:

Ponca-Parish Lawn: on or before August 12th:
Dave Harding & Travis Olander.

South Creek Trimming: on or before August 12th: Co-chairs; Tom Walsh & Phil Knerl; Family members of Al Walsh.

Newcastle: Week of August 14th- Chairperson: John Gatzmeyer. Volunteers: Matt Dendinger, Bob Meyer, Mark Gregg & John Gregg.



Office Phone: 402.755.2773

Office Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays:

8:30 am - 2:30 pm

Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 421 West 2nd Street;

Send mail to:

P.O. Box 898 Ponca, NE 68770

Pastor, Rev. Andrew Sohm

Cell: 402.709.3803

Email: alsohm@archomaha.org

Buildings & Grounds:

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 Rosener, 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, Doug Nelson, and Larry Ney

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

Youth Minister:

St. Joseph's - Wendi Shutte, 402.518.0115
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St. Patrick's - Laura Ney, Email: lasullivan@nntc.net and Paula Wendte, Email: pwendte@archomaha.org

St. Peter's - Denise Kneifl
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Websites: St. Joseph: Stjosephsponca.org Co-ordinator: Elise Lowe, elisenlowe@gmail.com

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St. Patrick's - Erin Stroot - erionis88@hotmail.com
St. Peter's - Denise Kneifl - denise@scelectric.net



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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Kevin Connot: 402-518-0824
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Mari Sprakel: 712-560-2078

St. Patrick's Missionary Team:
Paula Wendte: 712-251-4732
Mary Ann Pfister: 712-490-8222
Roger Bentz: 712-223-0317
Joan O'Neill: 712-301-7002
Ryan Bousquet: 402-508-0971

St. Peter's Servers:
Lupita Chase: 402-360-2507
John Lowe: 605-670-0233
Deacon Dennis Knudsen: 605-670-9958
Joan Kneifl: 712-223-8431



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

August 7, 2022
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going.
Hebrews 11:8

(Note of explanation:) Gambling seems to be in our nature. It is a better bet, if we gamble on God.

February 20, 1990
James V. Kramper
(After stopping at Vegas on the way to visit friends in Arizona)

GAMBLING ON GOD

There is some gambling in each one of us.

For the *farmer* to plant the seed in the ground
Each spring ... is a gamble.
For the *fisherman* to bait a hook and drop
It into the lake ... it is a gamble.
For the *basketball player* to release the ball
And try for a basket ... is a gamble.

Each time we give up something,
Hoping to get back more ... IT IS A GAMBLE.
Gambling is what keeps the lights
of Las Vegas alive.
Gambling is what entices millions
Of people to buy lottery tickets
For a single prize.
Gambling is what causes betters to
Run after their favorite race horses.

So many forms of gambling are geared for self.
Other people are looked upon as
Competition along the way.

In this case, the arm that is reached for
Is the mechanical arm of a slot machine.

If we are inclined to gamble,
Wouldn't it be better to gamble on God?

He urges us to invest in others rather
Than to look for security for self.
He promised heaven to those
Who become poor in spirit.

His own son, who gambled his life on the
Cross for saving sinners, said that
Even a single penny, given out
Of sacrifice, would grow to
Be a great reward!

All of gambling comes down to a simple
Flip of the coin:
Am I growing rich for myself ...
Or

Am I growing rich in the sight of God? (Luke 12.21)



Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, August 13- St. Patrick's - 5:00 pm
Altar Server:.....Derek Stroot
Altar Server.....Lincoln White
Lector.....Roger Bentz
Music:Scott Webb & Choir

Sunday, August 14- St. Peter's - 8:00 am
Altar Server:.....Alex Kneifl
Altar Server:.....James Kneifl
Lector:.....Denise Kneifl
OMHC:Deacon Dennis
Music:*Volunteer needed
Ushers:Preston Nelson & Chad Kneifl
Money Counter - Vern & Sharon Haberman

Sunday, August 14- St. Joseph's 10:00 am
Altar Server.....Isaac Nelson
Altar Server:.....Joshua Nelson
Lector:.....Patty Sullivan
Music:Michael Gibbs
Ushers: Pat Korth & Volunteer needed

New Schedules are completed and available.

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MESSAGE FROM FR. KRAMPER

The Gene Day Council of Knights of Columbus will be trying a different meeting night. Instead of the second Wednesday of the month, we will try the second Thursday. So, at 7 p.m. on August 11th we will begin with Mass and the meeting to follow. Like last month, it will be the night of the full moon. That is supposed to be a good night for a change.

A NOTE FROM FR. OWEN KORTE: So far the Journey of Faith Pastoral Planning Team has met three times. We are getting to know one another and specific things about our 7 parishes. We have gotten into the thick of things and are trying to wrap ourselves around the parameters Archbishop Lucas has laid out for us when it comes to creating a mass schedule. Each of the parish reps have been asked to meet with their Parish teams and bring in a few others and discuss the rules we are being asked to follow in making up a schedule. In the process of doing this we asked the question. Can a parish have life without a Saturday or Sunday mass experience? This is tough stuff we are dealing with but the numbers are not in our favor...mass attendance has been dropping everywhere for years. Fr. Andy Sohm has given me permission to be the celebrant of the masses at Jackson, Ponca and Newcastle on the weekend of August 6-7. I will stay around after the masses at Ponca and Newcastle to listen to your concerns and try to answer your questions.

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, August 8th— Casa de Paz
7:00 pm.....✠Bill McNear

Tuesday, August 9th— St. Peter's
5:00 pm.....✠Bud & Roseann Lowe & Mary Ann

Wednesday, August 10th— St. Peter's
9:00 am.....✠Mary E. Hunter

Thursday, August 11th— St. Peter's
9:00 am..... ✠Tim & Mary Beacom

Friday, August 12th- St. Peter's
9:00 am..... ✠Bernie Adams

Saturday, August 13th— St. Patrick's
5:00 pm... ✠Ron Hogh & ✠Jolene White

Sunday, August 14th- St. Peter's & St. Joseph's
8:00 am (St. Peter's) ... ✠Fr. James McCluskey
10:00 am (St. Joseph's) ... ✠John Adam Bessmer
and ✠Dan Dutcher

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of July 31

“God will not be out done in generosity!”

St. Joseph's Sunday Offerings.....\$1,450.02

St. Patrick's Sunday Offerings.....\$1,020.00

St. Peter's Sunday Offerings.....\$1,776.00

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