

# 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 TOURNNEY:** 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***

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***Send mail to:***

***P.O. Box 898 Ponca, NE 68770***

**Pastor,** Rev. Andrew Sohm

Cell: 402.709.3803

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**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. Peter's - Denise Kneifl - [denise@scelectric.net](mailto: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)

**Address: 421 West 2nd Street, Ponca, NE.**

**Send mail to: P.O. Box 898 Ponca, NE 68770**

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**Parish Leadership Teams:**

**St. Joseph's Crusaders:**

Mary Kay Mahler: 712-223-0996

Jo Hogan: 712-259-8888

Kevin Connot: 402-518-0824

Adam Poulosky: 712-898-7581

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



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 hoot 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.