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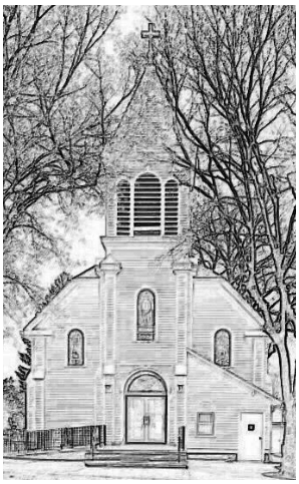
November 1st, 2026

All Saints

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Mass Schedule

2	Monday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Holy Souls in Purgatory
		5:30 PM	@ St. Mary's	Holy Souls in Purgatory
3	Tuesday	NO MASS		
4	Wednesday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Ed Kozisek
5	Thursday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Ralph Fererra †
6	Friday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Alexandra Fererra †
7	Saturday	5:00 PM	@ St. Joseph's	Angelina Chardella †
8	Sunday	8:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Alden, Arnold, & David Kment
		10:00 AM	@ St. Mary's	For the people of the parishes

CONFESSIONS: Weekdays: 20 minutes before Mass
Saturday: 4:30—4:50 pm @ St. Joseph's
Sunday: 7:30—7:50 am @ St. Joseph's
9:30—9:50 am @ St. Mary's
or call the office for an appointment.

BAPTISM: Please contact the Pastor to schedule a date & time. The baptism request form is on the parish website.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the Pastor **AT LEAST 6 months** before the planned marriage.

ADORATION: Exposition times at St. Joseph:
Saturday 4:00 - 4:50pm
Sunday 7:00 - 7:50am
Wednesday 7:00am - 1:00pm

SATURDAY, November 7th, 5 pm at St. Joseph
Acolyte: Brandon Henkel Lector: Bernie Borer
Servers: Henry Henkel & Volunteer needed
SUNDAY, November 7th, 8 am at St. Joseph
Acolyte: Zach Meduna Lector: Marie Gruenes
Servers: Isaac & Levi Dunavan
SUNDAY, November 8th, 10 am at St. Mary
Volunteers needed

Sacramental News and Special Announcements

Father will be celebrating All Souls Day Masses on Monday, November 2nd at 7am at St. Joseph's and at 530pm @ St. Mary's.

There will be no Mass on Tuesday, Nov. 3

Father's Re"Fleck"ions

Dear Parishioners,

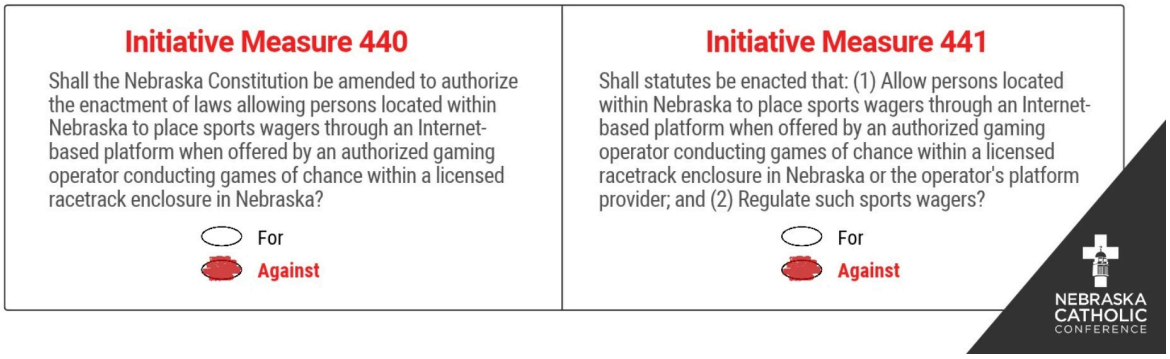
With elections this coming Tuesday, I encourage everybody to please go out and vote. Please see the below joint statement from our Nebraska Bishops on the gambling initiatives 440 and 441. Please see the Nebraska Right to Life voter guide as well. https://nebraskarighttolife.org/political-action/voter-guides/

As Election Day draws nearer, Nebraska's Catholic Bishops - Archbishop Michael G. McGovern, Bishop James D. Conley, and Bishop Joseph G. Hanefeldt - issued the following joint statement against online sports gambling, urging all Nebraskans to vote against Initiatives 440 and 441:

"We urge Nebraskans, especially Catholics, to vote 'Against' Initiatives 440 and 441. These measures would expand predatory online sports gambling in our state. False promises of small property tax relief do not outweigh the serious social problems these initiatives would cause Nebraskans. Online sports gambling often targets people who are vulnerable to addiction, especially young men and teenagers. This can lead to family problems, debt, bankruptcy, homelessness, and mental health issues. Online sports gambling isn't a harmless wager among friends. It turns every part of a game – play call, free throw, serve, or a pitch – into a bet where the house always wins, which harms sports and student-athletes. Let's not turn every phone into a casino. Please vote 'Against' Initiatives 440 and 441."

More information about the Nebraska Catholic Conference's opposition to Initiatives 440 and 441 can be found at https://necatholic.org/resources/stoppredatorygambling.html

In Christ, Fr. Luke Fleck



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Knights of Columbus: Jeremy Vrana (402) 443-7300

St. Joseph Hall Rental: Cyndy Bohaty (402) 647-2555

Men's Group: Adam Quinn (402) 853-2693

St. Anne's Funeral Group for St. Joseph's:
Alice Meduna, (402) 647-4485 or richardmeduna@windstream.net or Patty Swanson, (402) 480-1771 or pswanson999@gmail.com

St. Mary's PCCW Funeral Group: Gladys Wagner (402) 628-5345 or Mary Osterloh (402) 708-0284

We are grateful you are here! All families and individuals are welcome in our parish community!

If you are returning to the faith, interested in becoming Catholic, want more information, or would just like to dialog with someone. Please contact the Pastor or Ryan Mascarello at rjmascarello@gmail.com.

If you are new to St. Joseph's or St. Mary's, please reach out to Kara Lombardo (St. Joseph's) at (402)480-1395 or Mary Tenopir (St. Mary's) at (402)720-3491. Kara and Mary would love to introduce themselves and answer any questions you may have regarding the registration process, men's and women's groups, and our annual church dinner.

	Last Week's Actual Collection	Last Week's Budgeted Collection needed	Year to Date Actual Collections	Year to Date Budgeted Collections needed
St. Mary's	$ 678	$ 1,477	$ 20,832	$ 25,102
St. Joseph's	$ 1,290	$ 3,584	$ 50,064	$ 60,923

Local News

St. Anne's Altar Sodality: Our next sodality meeting is Nov. 3 at 7pm at the Parish Hall. All the women of the parish are welcome. October and November groups will host a breakfast after the 8am Mass on November 8th. Sodality members responsible for cleaning the church during the month of November are Kim Meduna, Lisa Bartunek, Vicki Herrera, Lisa Vrana, and Julie Wesch.

St James Church (Mead) 46th Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast: Nov. 1st – 7:30 am to 12 pm. All-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage and eggs. Adults $10, Kids (2-12) $5, Under 2 free! St James Parish Hall, Mead. RAFFLE PRIZES: Handmade Queen-sized Quilt, $250 Arbor Day Farm gift card, Pit Boss Grill. Silent Auction, Craft and Bake Sale. Mass is at 7am and 9am.

St. Wenceslaus School Lottery: Beginning Nov 2nd, St. Wenceslaus School families will be selling chances for their 2027 School Lottery. The cost to enter is $50 and you will be entered into a drawing for every day in 2027 - that is 365 chances to win from $50 to $500 each day! If you do not know of a school family please call the School office at (402) 443-3336 and we will be glad to help you. Last year 880 entries were sold and our goal this year is to sell 1,500! We hope to reach even more friends and families this year both local and far away! We appreciate your support as all proceeds will benefit the School and its students. Sales will end on Nov 30th.

All Souls' Day Mass of Remembrance: Monday, November 2nd at 1:45 p.m. Bishop Neumann Catholic High School Join us as we prayerfully remember and honor our deceased alumni. There will be reserved seating for families and a reception following Mass. Please RSVP to the Bishop Neumann front office (402) 443-4151 ASAP.

Knights of Columbus Drive-Up Burger Knight: Saturday November 7th, 4:30-7:00PM on the South Side of Bishop Neumann. Hamburger or cheeseburger, chips and cookie. Free-Will Donation!

Veterans Day Mass: Bishop Neumann students and staff invite you to join them for a Mass in honor of all those who have served on November 13, 2026 at 10:20 in the Bishop Neumann Gym followed by a lunch at 11:30. Please RSVP (402) 443-4151.

LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive: The LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive will soon be coming to an end, but you still have an opportunity to donate. Would you like the LDCCW to shop for you? You can mail a check payable to LDCCW to: LDCCW, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell NE 68404. The LDCCW will purchase the needed diaper sizes during the year. Thank you to those that have already donated. God Bless You!

Diocesean and National News

Pray for Vocations: Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially for our diocese and particularly from our parish.

Nov 1 - Nov 7 We are praying for Jackson Schaefer, College 2 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. and Sr. Benedicta Hawkins, Jr. Sister with the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln



Spirit Catholic Radio: Come Hear Joe Heschmeyer's talk on the Early Church! Spirit Catholic Radio welcomes Catholic Answers apologist and author Joe Heschmeyer to Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lincoln on November 3rd at 6:30 PM for an evening of faith and discovery. Joe will speak on "The Faith of the Early Christians," exploring what the first Christians believed and how their faith continues to shape the Catholic Church today. Come discover the roots of our Catholic faith through Joe's engaging and insightful approach. Get your tickets today at https://spiritcatholicradio.com/joe/! Catch Joe on Catholic Answers Live weekdays at 5 PM CT on Spirit Catholic Radio at 102.7 FM in Lincoln and surrounding areas.

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