

DATE
DECEMBER 27, 2020

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Rectory Office: 402-223-2923 (between 8 am-7pm)

School Office: 402-223-5033 (between 8am-4pm)

Serving the communities of Barneston,
Beatrice, Odell, & Wymore
www.stjosephbeatrice.org

Pastor and Chief Administrative Officer Fr. Rand Langhorst

Parish Office: 612 High St. (rectory-office@edolinc.net)

Sara Stedman, Secretary.

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9:00am-2pm,
Except Holy Days and holidays.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: Barneston 5:00pm, Beatrice 5:30pm
Sunday: Beatrice 8:00am & 10:00am
Odell 8:00am Wymore 10:30am

Weekday Mass Schedule

See Mass Intentions for current schedule

Confessions

Beatrice: Saturday in the cry room 4:30pm-5:15 pm
Barneston, Odell and Wymore: 30 minutes before weekend
Mass for 15 minutes
Any other time by appointment.

Baptism Parents are asked to attend baptism preparation class.
Call the rectory office to schedule.

Anointing/Hospital Visits Please notify the pastor when you go
to the hospital or are homebound and wish a visit.

Matrimony Contact the parish 6 to 12 months ahead of time.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) Jo Langley (402-223-3359)
Melissa Powers (402-228-3856).

St. Vincent DePaul 402-435-7968

Catholic Social Services 1-800-961-6277

Catholic Radio 100.1FM Duane Oden 402-230-0879

Willow Center of Beatrice -402- 228-6411

Beatrice Knights of Columbus Frank Pribyl, Grand Knight

Odell Knights of Columbus Allen Klecan, Grand Knight

St. Joseph Catholic School —420 N 6th Street Grades K-5

Emily Lohr, Head Teacher;

Tammy Zarybnicky, Secretary

Preschool Denise Behrends (3 & 4 year olds)

Red Raven Day Care -18 months—up; located in our school
building. Call 402-223-5033

Beatrice Godparent Teen Program Wed., 7:00pm

Beatrice C.C.D. Program Grades 1-8, Wed., 6:30-8:00 pm

Beatrice Cemetery Contact Jerry Kempf 402-239-1896

Beatrice Choir Kate Ratigan at 402-806-0131.

Beatrice Prayer Chain Betty Witulski 402-228-0694

Bulletin Deadline: by noon Wednesday.

Mass Intentions		
Monday 12/28	Beatrice 8:15 am	Vocations
Tuesday 12/29	Beatrice 8:15 am	Respect for Life
Wednesday 12/30	Beatrice 8:15 am	+Rita & Phil Baumel
Thursday 12/31	Beatrice 4:00 pm	+Bev Freeman
	Barneston 6:00 pm	Poor Souls
Friday 1/1	Odell	Missa pro Populo
	Wymore 8:00 am	Don, Dan & Carolyn DeVries
Saturday 1/2	Beatrice 8:00 am	Altar Society Members
	Barneston 5:00pm	Don, Dan & Carolyn DeVries
	Beatrice 5:30pm	+Matthew Tapee
Sunday 1/3	Beatrice 8:00am	+Emma Holoubek
	Odell 8:00am	Poor Souls
	Beatrice 10:00am	+Doris Evers
	Wymore 10:30am	Missa Pro Populo

Wymore Weekend of	
	10:30am
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Beatrice Weekend of			
	5:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
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Rosary			

Odell Weekend of	
	8:00am
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December Financials
St Joseph Beatrice, Church, School, and
Daycare

Last Week's Offering	\$8,080.33
Last Week's Other Income	\$465.00
Monthly Income to Date	\$48,123.91
Monthly Estimated Expenses	\$57,536.78

St Mary's Church Wymore

Last Week's Offering	\$445.00
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Monthly Income to Date	\$3,419.00
Monthly Estimated Expenses	\$2,452.84

St Mary's Church Odell

Last Week's Offering	\$1065.00
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Monthly Income to Date	\$2,553.00
Monthly Estimated Expenses	\$2,162.18

St Joseph Church Barneston

Last Week's Offering	\$478.00
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Monthly Income to Date	\$840.00
Monthly Estimated Expenses	\$504.06

The parish office will be closed during the Christmas break until Jan 4th.

BEATRICE NEWS

Thank you to the following for having provided at least one meal to these past 6 months to the rectory (please forgive me if you did and I inadvertently didn't list you): Sharon McVay, Lois Little, Marcy Moran, Lenece Pinkerton, Jo Langley, Ellen Hagemeyer, Diane Barnard, Tracy Beaudoin, Betty Benson, Kayla Brewer, Danielle Stedman, Patty Zarybnicky, Karen Slusher, Kathy Scheer, Mike Witulski family, Nancy Rohe, Diane Baxa, Barb Valasek, Mary Ratigan, Arlene Vondenkamp, Mary Cook, Wendy Lovitt.

GALA 2021 will be here on February 20. Due to Covid it will be an online auction to help raise funds to meet our school needs. We need your creativity, generosity and help. Do you have something you

would be willing to donate for the auction. Do you possess a talent that could become an auction item? (For instance provide holiday baking or meal, Serve as a family photographer, paint a picture, offer an hour of house cleaning, host a golf outing) Let the ideas be generated and see what you may be able to give. Keep watching the bulletin for more on GALA in coming weeks! If you have questions Contact Chairperson Amber Ferguson for any questions. 402-239-1798 or Fr. Rand.

St. Joseph has for sale at \$8.00 the Music Missal 2021 and the first seasonal Missalette (Until mid-February) to anyone who would like to be able to sing at Masses until such a time as we are allowed to put permanent hymnbooks back in the pews. To obtain yours please contact the rectory office or Fr. Rand after a Mass. The Music Ministry plans to make use of them when congregational singing is permitted.

WYMORE/BARNESTON/ODELL NEWS

Thank you to all who clean our parishes each week. Your gift of time is appreciated!

GENERAL NEWS.

Thank you to all parishioners who sent cards, prayers or offered tokens of appreciation to me (& Fr. Walsh) this Christmas. You are included in my prayers and intercession for all my Benefactors.

The 48th Annual Nebraska Walk for Life will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2021. The outdoor event begins on the north steps of the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. where there will be speakers and greetings from elected officials. The Walk will proceed to the Newman Center at 16th & Q Street. Keynote speaker, Sarah Zagorski will give testimony to her challenging childhood and why every life matters. For more information, go to www.nebraskarighttolife.org or call 402-438-4802.

End of the year donations for tax purposes must be received before December 31, 2020. Thank you to all who support the works and mission of Jesus throughout the year.

Beatrice area Blood Drive will be held at the Holiday Inn (4005 North 6th st) Beatrice on Wednesday December 30 from 7 am- 6 pm. Call Robyn at 402-269-5460 for an appointment.

Thank you to all in each parish who offered their

talents and time to celebrate Christmas with hearts and minds of praise at our Masses. Your efforts provided consolation to many enduring the hardships and sadness of the Covid pandemic.

The Diocese of Lincoln requires that its employees and volunteers report any allegations of abuse or neglect of a minor or elder connected with the church related activity to law enforcement, consistent with the requirements of Nebraska law. If anyone has information that a minor or elder is being or has been subjected to abuse or neglect please report immediately to local law enforcement or to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services toll-free number 1-800-652-1999 and also to any Parish Pastor, School administrator, Teacher or to any Diocesan official at the Catholic Chancery (402) 488-0921, so that immediate steps may be taken for the protection of the minor or elder.

As we move into the next several months (until June per an email I received) there will be several different priests helping to cover weekends and Holy Days. When I am in Beatrice they will be in the missions and vice versa. It is due to their kindness, generosity and willingness that a Mass schedule can be kept. For the sake of emergencies should I not be reached please call Fr. Birkel in Fairbury or Fathers Clinch and McGuire in Tecumseh or Fr. Joe Walsh in Cortland (evenings and weekends only). While I have no plans to be away I may occasionally have doctor's appointments in Lincoln or elsewhere. My day off is now switching to Thursdays to better accommodate the situation. Thank you for your understanding. I have voiced my preferences and concerns directly to the bishop that in my opinion a Pastor should be placed again in Wymore—I sincerely believe the need is real and while I am willing and able in the short term, I know my limitations in the long term. Please pray for God's will to be done.

There is one particular Christmas Carol that has always baffled Will and Guy. What in the world do leaping lords, French hens, swimming swans, and especially the partridge who won't come out of the pear tree have to do with Christmas? We would like to thank a site reader, who emailed

us, to let us know the real meaning behind this carol. From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember.

1. The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.
2. Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.
3. Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.
4. The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
5. The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
6. The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.
7. Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit: Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.
8. The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.
9. Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control.
10. The ten lords a-leaping were the ten commandments.
11. The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples.
12. The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!