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FEBRUARY 28, 2021

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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

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

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

Pastor and Chief Administrative Officer Fr. Rand Langhorst

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

Stations of the Cross during Lent

**Beatrice: Wednesdays at 6:30 pm and Thursdays at
8:15 am with school children (when school is in
session)**

Wymore: Wednesdays after the 5:30 pm Mass

Odell: Fridays after the 5:30 pm Mass

Barneston: Saturdays after the 5:00 pm Mass

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Mass Intentions

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Monday 3/8	Beatrice 8:15 am	+Marcellin Little
Tuesday 3/9	Beatrice 8:15 am	Respect for Human Life
Wednesday 3/10	Beatrice 8:15 am	+Arline Hoover
	Stations at 6:30 pm	
	Wymore 5:30 pm and Stations	Healing of Jim Safford
Thursday 3/11	Beatrice 7:00 am	Altar Society Members
Friday 3/12	Beatrice	No Mass
	Odell 5:30 pm and Stations	+Mary Safford
Saturday 3/13	Barneston 5:00pm and Stations	Healing of Relationships
	Beatrice 5:30pm	+Donald Catlin
Sunday 3/14	Beatrice 8:00am	+Geraldine Pinkerton
	Odell 8:00am	+Art Nietfeld
	Beatrice 10:00am	Missa Pro Populo
	Wymore 10:30am	Altar Society Liv/Dec

**Parish Office: 612 High St.
(rectory-office@cdolinc.net)
Sara Stedman, Secretary.
Monday, Wednesday & Friday,
9:00am–2pm,
Except Holy Days, holidays and
no school days.**

**Bulletin Deadline: by noon
Wednesday.**

March Financials
St Joseph Beatrice Church, School, and
Daycare

Last Week's Offering	\$9,140.33
Last Week's Other Income	\$6,348.86
Income to Date	\$15,489.19
Estimated Expenses	\$60,039.36

St Mary's Wymore

Last Week's Offering	\$938.10
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Income to Date	\$938.10
Estimated Expenses	\$2,932.17

St Mary's Odell

Last Week's Offering	\$1,130.00
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Income to Date	\$1,130.00
Estimated Expenses	\$2,589.51

St Joseph Barneston

Last Week's Offering	\$280.00
Last Week's Other Income	\$0.00
Income to Date	\$280.00
Estimated Expenses	\$469.16

BEATRICE NEWS

Join us to celebrate our Feast Day of St. Joseph Friday March 19 with a Mass at 5:30 PM and then before returning home take a detour to support the KC Fish Fry (enter through High Street)!

St. Joseph School will be closed Wednesday March 10 (in union with Beatrice Public School for State Basketball Playoffs) and Thursday March 11 and Friday March 12 for Parent-teacher conferences and Spring Vacation.

Fr. Maguire will have Beatrice Masses March 13/14. Fr. Rand will be gone during the day hours Friday March 12-Sunday March 14.

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St. Joseph pray for us!

Confessions continue to be heard in Beatrice Saturdays in the cry room for those who wish to be conscious of Covid measures. For those who feel more comfortable using the confessional east side despite the inability to follow all covid measures within its confined space, Fr. Rand will be there Wednesdays of Lent after the Stations of the Cross until the last in line is heard.

Opportunity to be of service: Opening for a Meals on Wheels driver for the St. Joseph's routes that are done on the first Friday of the month. This is sponsored by the Altar Society but anyone can be a volunteer driver. We have several substitutes that can fill in if you have a conflict for that particular day. If you are interested please contact the church office or call Kay Glynn at 402-239-7529 or email me at kayglynn@yahoo.com. Thank you.

First Communion will be held Sunday March 21 at a special time 11:30 am to accommodate social distancing for First communicants, family, and guests.

Consecration to St. Joseph for those who have read or are in the process of reading Fr. Calloway's book on Consecration to St. Joseph will take place immediately after the Feast Day 8:15 Mass.

If you are homebound or recovering from a surgery or illness and unable to attend the Weekend Mass, please contact the rectory to be added to the Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist list who go out on Wednesday mornings after Mass.

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on the feast day of St Joseph from 10 am-5 pm. Sign up sheet will be in the back of church and every hour must be filled with an adorer and preferably several.

If you would like to honor a loved one living or deceased with an Easter Lily or flower, the donation is \$10.00 per name(s). Please have the names to be honored or remembered living or deceased to the rectory by March 22 to be included in the weekend bulletin for Easter. The purchased silk flowers

remain with the church and any additional proceeds will be used for ongoing church decorations.

WYMORE/BARNESTON/ODELL NEWS

Odell, St Mary's Altar Society has placed special envelopes in the back of church for the Easter Flower Offering in memory of a loved one. A \$10 donation is requested to the Altar Society with proceeds to go towards our flowers and decorating. The names will be listed in front of church for Easter and be made available to the bulletin. Please give your donation to Geri Ann or Teresa before March 22th.

Odell Altar Society meeting is March 9 at 5:30 pm.

St Mary's Churches in Wymore and Odell are planning to have a food drive as a Lenten Project for the Wymore Food Pantry through Lent. There will be a labeled container to put items in. Suggested items would be saltine crackers, soups, spaghetti, noodles, microwave popcorn, cake mixes, ketchup, pastas or rice meals in boxes, peanut butter, cereals and personal care items such as shampoo, detergents, bath soap, deodorant, etc. Any other items will be appreciated also. Please help to feed your neighbors in need. Consider bringing a different item every week.

Wymore St. Mary's Drive thru Pancake Feed Sunday is March 28th 11:30 - 1:00. Serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage & fruit. \$5.00 per meal. Mark your calendars!

Wymore Altar Society Meeting is March 8 at 6:30 pm.

GENERAL NEWS

The Mass is a dialogue not a monologue. It is a spoken conversation with God with the Priest and the People each having their voiced parts.

Lenten Meditation:

When I first read Pope Francis' thoughts on gossip, I was both surprised and relieved- and chastened. His words on gossip are so strong. I did not think I was someone who was a big gossip, but when I thought about it, I was sad to realize that I was, and what is more, I hadn't seen it as a big deal. I did it without even thinking. Gossip is so widespread, and we are probably all guilty of it at some point. Gossip does not always present itself in an overly obvious way; sometimes, we are in the middle of it before we realize that we are gossiping. It is also a hard habit to

stop. With that in mind, I wanted to unpack some of the key points from Pope Francis' words on gossip, in the hope that they will help towards breaking this destructive habit. "It's so rotten, gossip. At the beginning, it seems to be something enjoyable and fun, like a piece of candy. But at the end, it fills the heart with bitterness and poisons us" Pope Francis is right. There is an element of gossip that brings people together. It's like that moment when you realize that everyone is annoyed by that someone in your organization, club or social setting, or that it wasn't just you being upset by that one person in the parish or school setting but others as well, or that everyone else in the office or at work has been made to cry at some point by your that particular individual. Realizing that you are not alone in stressful human interactions is a very real and necessary thing. We all need support and solidarity when we face other people who are hurtful. However, there is a fine line between this and between taking our revenge in the form of gossip. When we fall into gossip, we take the authority on ourselves to dole out justice to the other person in the form of destroying them with words. Destructive words are never constructive. It means that we fail to see the good in the world, that we could be wrong in our opinions or observations or the ability for others to change. And in that, we develop a negative attitude which in turn, poisons us. Pope Francis also said, "Gossip is "criminal" as it destroys, rather than exalts the image of God present in others." If someone has hurt us, or hurt others, it is exceedingly difficult to acknowledge that they have the image of God in them, that they were created equal to us by a loving God. Yet, that is the truth. Gossip refuses to see that person as someone who is loved by God and who can change and grow just as we do. Pope Francis added, strongly, that "Gossiping is terrorism because the person who gossips is like a terrorist who throws a bomb and walks away, destroying; they destroy with their tongue, they don't make peace." These are difficult words to read. We do not like to be compared with such evils, especially when they are so prevalent in our world today. Wars start with words, and if we want to achieve any kind of peace in our world, we must start with peace in our hearts and our interactions with others. "Those who live judging their neighbors, speaking badly of them, are hypocrites because they don't have the strength, the courage to look at their own defects," This quote is the key to understanding why we gossip and why it is such a huge part of our daily conversations. We gossip out of the fear that we are not good enough ourselves. We gossip to make ourselves feel better about ourselves. We gossip to tell ourselves 'I would never do that, I'm ok.' We want to find much-needed fulfillment by putting other people down. We ignore our defects and therefore, they

become bigger and bigger, the elephant in the room we cannot acknowledge. All the while you ignore something, it has the power to become scarier and more impossible to overcome. It takes courage to look at our defects, but it does mean that, when looked at directly, we can find the healing and forgiveness to overcome them. The truth is, we all, at some point, want to escape ourselves, to walk away from the mistakes we have made and the parts of ourselves we are ashamed of and the person we fear we will become. It is easier to tear others down to build ourselves up than to face ourselves. But when we do, the fall is not as hard as we expected, because we are caught in the loving arms of God the Father, offering us the healing we so badly need. (excerpts based on the "Poison of Gossip" by Ruth Kennedy)

Please use your packet envelopes or mark online for the "Register" collection. A minimum of \$15.00 for a year's subscription is suggested and a bargain and anything above that amount can be considered an effort to help in the local mission of the parish and church. Can you help your parish meet its goal?

What doesn't come via the collection must be taken out of the parish general account to pay the bill.

Parish	Goal	Amount Received
Barneston	\$ 90.00	\$ 0.00
Wymore	\$ 555.00	\$ 30.00
Odell	\$ 345.00	\$ 50.00
Beatrice	\$4,695.00	\$1,017.00

Change your station. Change your life! This Lent, listen to Catholic Radio for one hour each week. Jesus will change your life! Already a listener? Tell a friend about the life-changing station you've been listening to. Visit www.spiritcatholicradio.com for a station near you.

FATHER/SON PROGRAM "In His Image" for boys age 10-14 and their fathers will be held Sunday, March 21st, 2021 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center and virtually. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up and becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per father/son or \$35 per family in person and \$10 virtually. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/father/son> Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" for girls age 9-13 and their mothers will be held Sunday, March 28th, 2021 from 1:30-4:30 pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center and virtually. This program is designed to educate girls on growing up and becoming a woman. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per

mother/daughter or \$35 per family in person and \$10 virtually. To register: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/motherdaughter> Questions, please call Jen Davis at 402-261-6375 or email jmdavis17@gmail.com

Marriage Encounter is presenting a Virtual Weekend April 23-25 'Opening our hearts over to one-another' Contact Pat & Janelle Benson Pat 308-940-0670 Janelle 308-940-1105 pbjbben@yahoo.com

FISH FRY FRIDAYS! The Beatrice KC Fish Fry will be a drive-thru event this year. Get a great meal to-go and enjoy at home every Friday February 26th until March 26. Cost is \$10 per plate. Serving 5:30pm to 7:00pm or until supplies run out. (Please enter from High Street). Our Knights of Columbus do tremendous works of charity for parish, community and world-wide church. Funds raised go toward these charitable endeavors—please help us support them!

During this "Year of St. Joseph" the faithful will have the opportunity to commit themselves "with prayer and good works, to obtain, with the help of St. Joseph, head of the Heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that besiege the contemporary world today Therefore, the gift of Plenary Indulgences, granted through a Decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary by mandate of Pope Francis, "will be of great benefit to the perfect attainment of the appointed purpose." According to the universal Catechism of the Catholic Church, an Indulgence is "the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven. A properly disposed member of the Christian faithful can obtain an Indulgence under prescribed conditions through the help of the Church, which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the Saints. An Indulgence is Partial if it removes part of the temporal punishment due to sin, or Plenary if it removes all punishment." (CCC, 1471) Conditions for the Plenary Indulgence: According to the Vatican Decree, the Plenary Indulgence is granted to the faithful under the three usual conditions. The three usual conditions for receiving a Plenary Indulgence are Sacramental Confession (which, under the "usual conditions," means going to Confession within 20 days before or within 20 days after the day the Plenary Indulgence is sought); also, the reception of Eucharistic Communion on the day the Plenary Indulgence is sought; and prayer for the Pope's needs and intentions on the day the Plenary

Indulgence is sought (which, under the “usual conditions” is understood to be an Our Father and Hail Mary; or, one may also recite the Creed). Also required is a spirit that is sincerely and willfully detached from any sin, mortal and venial. Those who fulfill these conditions can participate in the varying Plenary Indulgence options during the “Year of St. Joseph” on the following occasions and manners indicated by the Apostolic Penitentiary. Plenary Indulgence Options: 1) The Plenary Indulgence is granted to those who will meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord’s Prayer (the Our Father), or take part in a Spiritual Retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. “St. Joseph, an authentic man of faith, invites us”, the Decree reads, “to rediscover our filial relationship with the Father, to renew fidelity to prayer, (and) to listen and correspond with profound discernment to God’s will.” 2) The Plenary Indulgence can also be obtained by those who, following St. Joseph’s example, will perform a Spiritual or Corporal Work of Mercy. St. Joseph “encourages us to rediscover the value of silence, prudence, and loyalty in carrying out our duties,” the Decree notes. 3) The prayerful recitation of the Holy Rosary in families and among engaged couples is another way of obtaining the Plenary Indulgence, in order that “all Christian families may be stimulated to recreate the same atmosphere of intimate communion, love, and prayer that was in the Holy Family” of Nazareth. 4) Also, everyone who entrusts their daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph, and every faithful who invokes the intercession of St. Joseph so that those seeking work can find dignifying work, can also obtain the Plenary Indulgence. On May 1, 1955, Pope Pius XII instituted the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker “with the intent that the dignity of work be recognized by all, and that it inspires social life and laws, based on the fair distribution of rights and duties.” 5) The Plenary Indulgence is also granted to the faithful who will recite the Litany to St. Joseph (for the Latin tradition), or the Akathistos to St. Joseph (for the Byzantine tradition), or any other prayer to St. Joseph proper to the other liturgical traditions, for the persecuted Church ad intra and ad extra, and for the relief of all Christians suffering all forms of persecution; because, as the Decree notes, “the flight of the Holy Family to Egypt shows us that God is there where man is in danger, where man suffers, where he runs away, where he experiences rejection and abandonment.” In addition to these options, the Apostolic Penitentiary also grants a Plenary Indulgence to the faithful who will recite any legitimately approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, for example, “To you, O blessed Joseph...” especially on December 27 (the Solemnity of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph),

March 19 (the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary), on May 1 (the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker), on St. Joseph’s Sunday (according to the Byzantine tradition), on the 19th of each month during the Year, and on every Wednesday during the Year, which is a day traditionally dedicated to the memory of St. Joseph in the Latin Church. The Vatican Decree also recalls the universality of St. Joseph’s Patronage of the Church, noting that St. Teresa of Ávila recognized him as “a protector for all the circumstances of life.” Pope St. John Paul II also said that St. Joseph has “a renewed relevance for the Church of our time, in relation to the new Christian millennium.” Amid the ongoing Covid-19 health crisis, the gift of the Plenary Indulgence is also extended to the sick, the elderly, the dying and all those who for legitimate reasons are unable to leave their homes. They, too, can obtain the Plenary Indulgences if they are detached from any sin and have the intention of fulfilling, as soon as possible, the three usual conditions and recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, offering to God the pains and hardships of their lives.

Diocesan Statement 03-03-21 on Johnson & Johnson vaccine: The recent approval of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine by the FDA to combat the COVID-19 pandemic has raised new moral concerns about the use of these vaccines. Unlike the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, Johnson & Johnson uses a line of stem cells procured from abortions performed over 30 years ago in the production of its vaccine. Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines used an abortion-derived cell line in testing them, but not in their production. The Vatican’s Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith teaches: “when ethically irreproachable COVID-19 vaccines are not available... it is morally acceptable to receive COVID-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process.” If people have the option, they should choose the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines over the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. However, if that choice is not possible, it is morally permissible to receive the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused great physical, emotional and spiritual suffering throughout the world and has led to more than 2.5 millions deaths. Being vaccinated can be an act of charity in service to the common good in stopping the spread of the virus. Nevertheless, abortion is an intrinsic evil that takes innocent life and is never morally permissible. We should continue to insist that pharmaceutical companies produce and test these vaccines without using abortion-derived cell lines.