

# ST. WENCESLAUS CHURCH

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 26, 2023

## GREETINGS FROM FR VINCENT

**A Thought for Today: "When Beauty overwhelms us, we are close to Worship God" (Richard C Cabot)**

We end the liturgical year this weekend with the focus on Christ as the King of the beautiful Universe that surrounds us. It is a feast that brings us into the reflection of what kind of God that is not only a king but one who has come to be with us.

Think of seeing snow for the first time! Your description of it will be incredibly vivid; it's like you were painting a picture with your words. The way you connect the beauty of snow to the deeper contemplation of God's beauty will be truly profound. It's amazing how moments of sheer beauty can evoke such a spiritual response within us, leading us to reflect on the magnificence of creation and the Creator.

The way you link the lasting impact of certain people in our lives to the appreciation of beauty and goodness is powerful. It's true that they often serve as conduits, reminding us of the goodness that emanates from a higher source, prompting us to reflect on the divine.

Your perspective on how goodness and beauty in people and things can serve as a conduit to worshiping God is really inspiring. It's like finding glimpses of the divine in the everyday, through the beauty that surrounds us.

Do you often find yourself reflecting on moments of beauty as a pathway to a deeper spiritual understanding?



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

11/25 Sat 5pm (St Peter & Paul) Allyn Konsel

11/26 Sun 9am Jeannine Klitz

11/26 Sun 10:30am (St John) Francis Faltys & Michael Faltys

11/27 Mon 8:15am (St Peter & Paul) Anna & Jerry Bourek

11/28 Tues 8:15am Francis Maresh

11/29 Wed 8:15am (St Peter & Paul) Joe & Sally Klitz and Rose Gentrup

11/30 Thurs 8:15am Norman Tomka

11/30 Thurs 5:30pm (St John) John & Adella Kulhanek and Special Intention

12/2 Sat 5pm (St Peter & Paul) Living & Deceased members of Howells Catholic Women

12/3 Sun 9am Living & Deceased of Raymond Pieper family

12/3 Sun 10:30am (St John) Rod Kalisek

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

|                      | Servers                   | Lector        | EMHCs   |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---|
| <b>Dec 3<br/>9am</b> | Isaac Meyer<br>Reid Meyer | Becky Stecher | Steve Ruskamp<br>Joan Ruskamp<br>Tim Ortmeier |

## GIFT FAMILIES –

Gift family for Sun Dec 3rd  
Mass at 9am is **John & Donna Doernemann**

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation**

**Mass Schedule –**  
Thursday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at St John in Howells  
Friday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am at St Wenceslaus in Dodge  
Friday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at St Peter & Paul in Howells

## ST. WENCESLAUS

Weekly: \$1,381

Children: \$29

Fuel/Utility: \$755

Maintenance: \$450

Catholic Charities: \$110

Christmas: \$300

(\$1,672 week budgeted)

## BLESSED BONUS WINNER

\$50

Nov 26<sup>th</sup> – Tammi Uher

**Confession Schedule:**  
30 minutes before Sunday Mass, or by appointment

# **LOOKING AHEAD**

Monday, Nov 27<sup>th</sup> – Mondays with Mary Rosary at 5pm at St Wenceslaus Church

Tuesday, Nov 28<sup>th</sup> – St Wenceslaus School Board meeting at 6:30pm

Wednesday, Nov 29<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation/COYL students, meet at 6:30pm in the upstairs of St Wenceslaus Church for confession.

Wednesday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup> – PRE 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade religious education class from 4pm to 5:15pm in St Wenceslaus Church basement

Wednesday, Dec 13<sup>th</sup> – St Wenceslaus School Christmas Program at 7pm in the St Wenceslaus Church basement

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS:  
Monday, Nov 27<sup>th</sup> –  
Tuesday, Nov 28<sup>th</sup> and  
Thursday, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

## **STUFF THE CRUISER –**

The birth of Jesus is almost here! This year to celebrate, St Wenceslaus School will be collecting items for the "Stuff the Cruiser" for kids in Dodge County, which is sponsored by the Dodge County Sheriff's Office. They are accepting donations for games, toys and winter wear. Items will be picked up from school by St Wenceslaus School Alumni Deputy Kampschneider! Please have items to school by Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Monday with Mary Rosary**

**During Advent on Monday,  
Dec 4, 11, 18**

**6pm each Monday instead of  
the regular 5pm time.**

**The Joyful Mysteries will be  
prayer these Mondays during  
Advent. Everyone welcome!**

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FCSLA

FCSLA Life District 11 will be hosting our annual Advent Party Monday, December 4, 2023, at Prague Parish Hall, Prague, NE. Memorial Rosary 5:30 PM-Social 6:00 PM- Complimentary Meal 6:30PM Our Matching Funds will be for Spirit Catholic Radio. We will accept individual as well as Branch donations. Proceeds will be matched by National. In addition a donor is matching donations so the funds will be tripled!!

There will be a cultural display. Please bring any Czech or Branch memorabilia [even from Catholic Workmen] you are willing to display. Examples could be photos, banners, ribbons, dolls, jewelry etc. Special guests will be the recipients of Donations from the Quadrennial Convention.

ALL ADULT active members and their guests are invited. Please notify your Branch members. RSVP a tentative meal count to Clarice Sabata, 1445 Little Salt Rd, Valparaiso, NE 68065, Phone 402-784-3154 or Email ksabatane2035@gmail.com. Come meet your friends and enjoy a good meal and social time.

## **BLESSED BONUS:**

Here's your chance to win a weekly prize of \$50 while raising additional funds for parish programs! Join the Blessed Bonus Club! Cost is only \$50 for the entire year.

You could win 50 weekly prizes of \$50 as well as 2 special prizes of \$100 (Feast of St Wenceslaus and Feast of the Sacred Heart) and 2 bonus prizes of \$25 (Easter & Christmas). Each member's number is returned to the membership pool after each week's drawing.

**But there's more! For every 10 memberships sold over 300, another special drawing of \$100 will be held. Buy more than one membership and increase your chances of winning! Give memberships as gifts to family and friends, or add them to your own Christmas wish list!**

**Buy your memberships now using the attached tickets! Additional membership tickets are available at the entrance of church, parish rectory, St Wenceslaus School, Stitches & Petals, Dodge Insurance, and Nebraska Bank.**

**Please send the completed membership tickets with payment to the parish rectory or drop them in the collection offering or lock box in the entrance of the church at your convenience.**

**Thank you for your support of this fundraiser!**

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