

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

Interim Pastor: Fr Matthew Gutowski

402-312-5730

Deacon Couple: Rev. Mr. Eddie & Monica Fisher Phone #402-892-3866

Parishes: Ss Cyril & Methodius-Clarkson(SCM), St. Wenceslaus-Dodge(SW), Sacred Heart-Olean(SH)

Mass Times and Intentions

Monday, March 8	SCM	8:15am	Erma Polodna
Tuesday, March 9	SW	8:15am	Herman & Clara Dvorak
Wednesday, March 10	SCM	8:15am	Leonard Hajek
Thursday, March 11	SW	8:15am	Louis Bohaboj
Friday, March 12	SH	6:00pm	Stations and Communion
Saturday, March 13	SH	5:00pm	Ray & Margaret Ruskamp
Sunday, March 14	SW	8:00am	Alice Rolf
	SCM	10:00am	Paul Dvorak

Liturgical Assignments

	Lector	EMHCs	Servers
Saturday, March 13 5pm at SH	Danielle Ortmeier	Ann Cerny	Erin Franzluebbers
Sunday, March 14 8am at SW	Robyn Harms	Chad Ortmeier	Brody Throener
Sunday, March 14 10:00am at SCM	Joan Sindelar	Anita Steffensmeier	Alessa & Shayla Gall

Daily Readings and Saint of the Day

3/7	Ex 20:1-17	Jn 2:13-25	Ss Perpetua & Felicity
3/8	2 Kgs 5:1-15b	Lk 4:24-30	St John of God
3/9	Dn 3:25, 34-43	Mt 18:21-35	St Gregory of Nyssa
3/10	Dt 4:1, 5-9	Mt 5:17-19	St Anastasia Patricia
3/11	Jer 7:23-28	Lk 11:14-23	St Constantine
3/12	Hos 14:2-10	Mk 12:28-34	St Peter the Deacon
3/13	Hos 6:1-6	Lk 18:9-14	St Leander of Seville
3/14	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23	Jn 3:14-16, 19-23	St Mathilda

General Information

Dear Parishioners,

Since this is the Year of St. Joseph, it is fitting that we pray a novena to him in preparation for the celebration of his feast day on March 19. I encourage all to pray the following novena prayers March 11-19. I will pray these at the end of Masses on these days, except on March 12 I will have Deacon Eddie pray it at the Stations of the Cross. I am providing this now so that all have ample time to plan on praying it. Besides your own personal intentions that you will pray for through St. Joseph's intercession, let all of us include the intentions that our three parishes of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Sacred Heart, and St. Wenceslaus will be blessed and that Fr. Rod's health will be fully restored.

(The Novena Prayers can be found on the last page of the bulletin.)

God bless you,

Fr. Matt

Contacting Fr. Matt while Fr. Rod is away:

Emergency calls—please call Fr. Matt's cell at 402-312-5730. As Fr. Matt will need to be down in Omaha/Bellevue for various responsibilities periodically and, for his day off, he will either be overnight on Thursday or Friday in Bellevue, if Fr. Matt is not here in the area at the time of an emergency, please contact one of the other area parishes,: Fr. Stan Schmit in Howells at 402-986-1653; Fr. Steve Emanuel/Fr. Matt Niggemeyer in West Point at 402-372-2188; or Fr. Keith Rezac in North Bend at 402-652-8483. If a parishioner has been taken to a hospital ER or is in a hospital and Fr. Matt is not available to come, if there is an immediate need for sacraments, please contact the parish in which the hospital is located.

Non-emergency calls—please call the rectory in Dodge at 402-693-2235 and, if he is unavailable, please leave a voicemail for Fr. Matt and he will return your call as soon as possible.

For email contact—Fr. Matt's email is mjgutowski@archomaha.org Please put in the subject line the name of the parish in which you are a parishioner, so that Fr. Matt can quickly see that he has an email from a parishioner.

Text messages: If anyone is getting messages that look like they are coming through from Fr Matt, please ignore. There is once again a scam going around where it looks like parishioners are receiving messages from their priest asking them to do the priest a favor or contact the priest. This is happening in other parishes also, not just our parish. Just ignore the messages.

<p>Intention for this week for Eucharistic Adoration and Fasting: For those affected by the Platte River Flooding. For Fr Rod while he is gone on his leave of absence.</p>	<p>48 ways the Pro-Life Movement is creating and fortifying a Culture of Life:(a new section and we will be printing 1 or 2 every weekend) 8. The March for Life continues to draw massive numbers of people to the nation's capital to draw attention to the cause of life. 9. Solid scientific research is educating Americans about the physical and psychological risks of abortion.</p>
<p>Send a Letter or a Card to Fr Rod: If you would like to send a letter or a card to Fr Rod while he is gone please use this address</p> <p>Fr Rod Kneifl P.O. Box 1148 Splendora, TX 77372-1148</p>	<p>Each Week for Eucharistic Adoration: St. Wenceslaus will still continue with the Day of Adoration every Thursday as it has been. Ss Cyril and Methodius will continue with Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday but without the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm, while Fr. Rod is gone.</p>

Adult Faith Formation

A new and constant section for adults in the parishes seeking to deepen their faith. You will find information about bible studies(group or solo), RCIA/Adult education and much more!

- And now the series that swept the nation about Jesus' public ministry "The Chosen", go to this website to purchase a copy of the DVDs and/or a specially made 40-day devotional(proceeds from your purchases will help fund the production of season 2) <https://studios.vidangel.com/the-chosen/welcome>, you can also watch season one for free on Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBXOFnNTULFaAnj24PAeblg> and also some behind the scenes of the making of season 1 and now season 2

Indulgence for the Year of St Joseph: In light of the year of St Joseph-patronage of the Church, there is a prayer in the bulletin that you can pray every Wednesday of the month, March 19, and other feast days of St. Joseph. The indulgence includes the recitation of the Prayer to St Joseph, you must also go to Confession near the time of doing the Prayer to St. Joseph, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the Pope's intentions for that particular month. For doing an indulgence must be for someone else, not oneself.

To you, O blessed Joseph (Ad te, beate Joseph)

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal

happiness in heaven. Amen.

March: Sacrament of Reconciliation: Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

April Fundamental Rights: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

St. Wenceslaus & Sacred Heart News

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St. Wenceslaus Blessed Bonus Winner

March 7th - \$50 - Tammy Eikmeier

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our parish!! Please continue to mail in your donations!

The churches reopen for Masses: Just a couple of reminders.... Face masks are recommended but not required. Masses will continue to still also be live streamed on our Facebook page St Wenceslaus & Sacred Heart Olean, Dodge NE

Monday's with Mary rosary: Rosary at St Wenceslaus at 4:30pm on Monday, March 8th

Confirmation/COYL - Wednesday, March 10th at 7pm in the church basement for 7th through 12th graders.

St Wenceslaus School: No School Friday March 12th

Stations of the Cross & Communion: Friday March 12th at 6pm at Sacred Heart Olean

Fish Fry: There will be a drive thru Friday night Fish Fry on Friday March 12th in front of St John's Social Hall in Howells. Serving is from 6pm to 8pm. Meals are \$12 each. Fish, Cheesy Potato, cole slaw, mac salad, desert & tarter sauce. Sponsored by Howells Knights of Columbus Council #5439.

COF Breakfast: Sunday, March 14th in the St Wenceslaus Church basement from 8:30am to noon. Take outs & deliveries also available. Free will donation. Sponsored by Catholic Order of Foresters Count #863.

1st through 6th graders: PRE religious education class March 17th from 4:15 to 5:30pm.

St Wenceslaus Fish Fry: Friday, March 19th from 5pm - 8:30pm in the St Wenceslaus Church Basement. Serving fish, mac'n cheese, french fries, coleslaw, dessert & drink. Adults \$12, children (10 & under) \$7. Sponsored by St Wenceslaus School Board & First Catholic Slovak Ladies

Howells Community Catholic School Fun Fest: Sunday March 21st at the Howells Ballroom. Serving Grilled Pork Loin Dinner from 10:30am - 1pm. Dine in Meal \$11/Children 12 & under \$6. Drive thru meals \$11. Live auction starts at 1pm. No bake sale, children's games or cake walk this year.

Prayer line - If you are wanting to have someone prayed for on the St Wenceslaus Prayer Line, please contact Janice Ladehoff at 693-2464 or Phyllis Sellhorst at 693-2809. Also, if you would like to be on the prayer line calling tree to be one of our parishioners who pray for those on the prayer line, contact Janice or Phyllis & let them know you would like to help pray.

SWIF: Just a reminder that we still have SWIF that you can purchase as credit on your 2nd Street Market account & a % comes back to St Wenceslaus. Just ask your cashier at the store to put your paid amount on your SWIF account.

Amazon Smile: Do you shop from Amazon? Sign up for Amazon Smile & a donation can go to a charitable organization. St Wenceslaus Catholic Church has been added to the charity list on Amazon Smile! Here's how to sign up for Amazon Smile: 1. Visit smile.amazon.com 2. Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials. 3. Choose a charitable organization to receive donations, or search for the charity of your choice. 4. Select your charity. 5. Start shopping! 6. Add a bookmark for smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at Amazon Smile.

Fun Fest:

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Fun Fest in anyway!!! Special thanks to Kammy Meyer & Nancy Dvorak and the rest of the Fun Fest committee for all their work for months leading up to the Fun Fest! Dumpling committee, both those that peeled the potatoes & those that made the dumplings: Chad & Christine Howser, Kate Dirkschneider, Phyllis Sellhorst, Carol Ortmeier, Jean Poland, Tammi Uher, Jody Stecher & Kim and Willy Anderson. The kitchen help at the Fun Fest: Andy & Kathy Ortmeier, Jason Meyer, John Klosen Dave Brester, Paul Dvorak, Dave Diekemper & Al Rolf. All those that helped get the meals out: Amanda Diekemper, Danielle Ortmeier, Kammy Meyer, Brenda Throener, Leo & Tonja Blaha, Joe Ruzek, Tim & Carol Ortmeier, Linda Hassler, Dee Eikmeier, Phyllis Sellhorst, Steve & Joan Ruskamp, Vicki Wagner, Beth Wisnieski, Danielle Klosen, Caitlin Klosen, Makayla Fowler, Lynn Oelkers, Jenn Praest, Connie Rolf, Sandra Blaha, Rich & Sue Eikmeier, Ashley Ortmeier, Jackie Martin. Auction runners: Nancy Dvorak, Jeff & Bonnie Paus, Lynanne Franzluebbbers. Finally for all our Confirmation & COYL students in 7th through 12th grade who all helped wherever they were need. If we missed thanking anyone who helped, we apologize. Thank you to all those who donated auction items or cash donations, Those who purchased raffle & quilt tickets (also thanks to those who made the quilt). Finally thank you those that enjoyed our meal. We ended up serving 704 meals. There will be a Fun Fest report later.

Winners of the raffle where: \$500 Kim Dvorak, \$400 Collin Tran, \$200 Don Bayer, \$100 Joe Ruzek. Quilt raffle winner was Danica Throener. Congrats winners!

St Wenceslaus Office Hours: I plan on being in the office at least for a few hours on both Monday & Friday and then stopping in between as needed. If you need me for any questions, you can reach me on my cell # at 402-615-0535. Carol Ortmeier

Funerals: Until further notice - No food can be bought in for funerals due to Covid restrictions.

Memorials: \$20 to St Wenceslaus Parish in memory of Dave & Gladys Mandel

St. Wenceslaus Collection: Weekly: \$2,543 Maintenance: \$16 1st offering: \$5 Ash Wednesday: \$45
Weekly Budget: \$2,138

Sacred Heart Collection: Weekly: \$283 *Weekly Budget: \$368*

News from Ss Cyril & Methodius & St. John Neumann

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Church Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/scmclarkson/> We also have Instagram(@sscyrilmethodius) & Twitter(@sscyrilclarkson)

School Email: neumann@stjohn.esu7.org <http://bit.ly/sjneumann> School's Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/sjnclarkson/>

Upcoming Meetings: KofC Meeting, March 8 7:00pm, Kofc Pancake Breakfast March 21(time TBA)

SJN Calendar: March 8, No School; March 8, School Board Meeting 7:00pm

Looking for employment with flexible hours? Apply for the Bookkeeping position at SS Cyril & Methodius Church! Choose your own daytime hours, eight to ten hours per week. You will need to be highly organized, a quick learner, and detail-oriented. Position is 70% clerical and 30% accounting. Quickbooks knowledge is a definite advantage but not required. Excel spreadsheet and general computer knowledge is a must. Hourly wage is negotiable. Please call Aaron Fehringer at 402-920-3301.

Saint John Neumann School and Little Angels Preschool will be conducting a Spring Pizza Coupon Fundraiser from February 17th through March 3rd. We will be selling C-Store coupons, Godfathers Pizza Coupons, Eileen's Cookies, & Butter Braids! If you are interested in purchasing any coupons or goodies, please contact a SJN student or call the SJN office at 402-892-3474. Thanks for your support!

We Need Your Help: FURNACE FUND STRIVES FOR MATCHING FCCLA GRANT: If you haven't already done so, NOW is the time to donate to the fund for replacing the defunct furnace at SJN Gym. Our local branch W080 of FCCLA reports that the national organization will match \$600 to our efforts. So please consider giving soon to help cover the replacement cost so that we can take advantage of these matching funds. Don't forget...put your donation in an envelope marked Furnace Fund (by March 31). Thank you in advance!

Winners of the SS Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church Prize-A-Day Calendar Fundraiser!!! (March 1st-March 7th)

- March 1st: Roger Gall (\$25)
- March 2nd: Dorothy Kohler (\$25)
- March 3rd: Kevin Brabec (\$25)
- March 4th: Donna Bourek (\$25)
- March 5th: Justin Gall (\$25)
- March 6th: Father Owen Korte (\$25)
- March 7th: Gene Brabec (\$50)

Thank you for your support! Next week's winners will be posted next weekend!

1st & 2nd Graders: I love my Catholic School because...

I love my Catholic School because I can go to Mass. We can also pray the Rosary. We go to the Library. We learn about God.
- Cooper Fehringer

Ss Cyril & Methodius Collection: February 28, 2021: Total: \$2,517.50 Adults: \$2,230.00 Plate: \$5.00 Votive Candles: \$12.50 Altar Black & Indian Missions: \$20.00 Choir: \$80.00 School Maint/Repair: \$40.00 Utilities: \$130.00
Automatic Deposit Collection: January 2021: \$1,215.00

Area Events

- **Pi Day Soup and Pie Fundraiser:** Sunday March 14, 10:30am-1:00pm at The Warehouse 123 W 2nd St, storm date 3/21/21. Help us restore this historic building by picking up \$5.00 pints or \$10.00 quarts of Chili, Chicken Noodle or Goulash, \$2.00 Chicken or Ham Salad, with or without cheese, sandwiches, and \$3.00 slices of pie, a wide variety of pies to choose from. Carry out only.
- **Fish Fry:** There will be a drive thru Friday night Fish Fry on Friday March 12th, 19th & 26th in front of St John's Social Hall in Howells. Serving is from 6pm to 8pm. Meals are \$12 each. Fish, Cheesy Potato, cole slaw, mac salad, desert & tartar sauce. Sponsored by Howells Knights of Columbus Council #5439. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus.

Novena to St Joseph

Opening Prayer:

O Glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands, to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the benign Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favor we now implore.

[Mention your request]

O Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for us a pure, humble, and charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will.

Be our guide, father and model through life, that we may merit to die as you did, in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Memorare to St. Joseph:

Remember, most pure spouse of Mary, ever Virgin, my loving protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection or asked for your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding, therefore, in your goodness, I come before you and humbly implore you. Despire not my petitions, foster-father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them. Amen.

<p>Day 1:(3-11) O great St. Joseph, with feelings of unlimited confidence, we beg you to bless this novena that we begin in your honor. "You are never invoked in vain" says the seraphic St. Theresa of Jesus.</p>	<p>Day 2:(3-12) O blessed St. Joseph, tenderhearted father, faithful guardian of Jesus, chaste spouse of the Mother of God, we pray and beseech you to offer to God the Father, His divine son, bathed in blood on the Cross for sinners. And through the thrice</p>	<p>Day 3:(3-13) Blessed St. Joseph, enkindle in our cold hearts a spark of your charity. May God be always the first and only object of our affections. Keep our souls always in sanctifying grace and, if we should be so unhappy as to lose it, give us the strength</p>
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<p>Be you then to me what you have been to your most holy Spouse: protector, provider, and custodian, and graciously hear me as you did Her. [Repeat your request here...] Amen.</p>	<p>holy name of Jesus obtain for us of the eternal Father the favor for which we implore your intercession: [Repeat your request here...] Amid the splendors of eternity, forget not the sorrows of those who pray, those who weep; stay the almighty arm that smites us, that by your prayers and those of your most holy spouse, the Heart of Jesus may be moved to pity and to pardon. Amen.</p>	<p>to recover it immediately by a sincere repentance. Help us to such a love of our God as will always keep us united to Him. Amen. O glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bear Jesus Christ and for the glory of His name, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. [Repeat your request here...] Amen.</p>
<p>Day 4:(3-14) St. Joseph, pride of Heaven, unflinching hope for our lives, and support of those on earth, graciously accept our prayer of praise. You were appointed spouse of the chaste Virgin by the Creator of the world. He willed that you be called father of the Word and serve as agent of our salvation. May the triune God who bestowed upon you heavenly honors, be praised forever. And may He grant us through your merits the joy of a blessed life and a favorable answer to our petition. [Repeat your request here...] Amen.</p>	<p>Day 5:(3-15) O holy St. Joseph, what a lesson your life is for us, ever so eager to display before the eyes of men the graces that we owe entirely to the liberality of God. In addition to the special favor for which we plead in this novena [Repeat your request here...] grant that we may attribute to God the glory of all things, that we may love the humble and hidden life, that we may not desire any other position than the one given us by Providence and that we may always be a docile instrument in the hands of God. Amen.</p>	<p>Day 6:(3-16) O glorious St. Joseph, appointed by the Eternal Father as the guardian and protector of the life of Jesus Christ, the comfort and support of His Holy Mother, and the instrument in His great design for the redemption of mankind; you who had the happiness of living with Jesus and Mary, and of dying in their arms, be moved with the confidence we place in you, and procure for us from the Almighty, the particular favor which we humbly ask through your intercession. [Repeat your request here...] Amen.</p>
<p>Day 7:(3-17) O faithful and prudent Saint Joseph, watch over our weakness and our inexperience; obtain for us that prudence which reminds us of our end, which directs our paths and which protects us from every danger. Pray for us, then, O great Saint, and by your love for Jesus and Mary, and by their love for you, obtain for us the favor we ask in this novena. [Repeat your request here...] Amen.</p>	<p>Day 8:(3-18) O blessed Joseph, to whom it was given not only to see and to hear the God whom many kings longed to see and saw not; to hear and heard not; but also to carry Him in your arms, to embrace Him, to clothe Him, and to guard and defend Him, come to our assistance and intercede with Him to look favorably on our present petition. [Repeat your request here ...] Amen.</p>	<p>Day 9:(3-19) O good St. Joseph, help us to be like you, gentle to those whose weakness leans on us; help us to give to those who seek our aid, succor that they may journey unafraid. Give us your faith, that we may see the light of truth. Give us your hope that we may stand secure, firm with our anchor beyond the veil. Give us your love that as the years increase a charitable heart may bring us peace. Give us your purity that the hour of death finds us untouched by evil's breath. Give us your love of labor that we shirk no lot in life that calls us for honest work. Give us your love of poverty so that we live contented, let wealth come or go. Give us your courage that we may be strong; give us your meekness to confess our sins. Give us your patience that we may possess the kingdom of our souls without distress. Help us, dear Saint, to live that when life ends we pass with you to Jesus and His friends. O Glorious St. Joseph, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. [Repeat your request here ...] Amen.</p>

Concluding prayer:

O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O Saint Joseph, assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. O Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. Amen.

O Saint Joseph, hear my prayers and obtain my petitions. O Saint Joseph, pray for me. Amen.

[This novena is from <https://aleteia.org>. It was published by Kathleen N. Hattrup on this website in March 2020.]