




PRINCE OF PEACE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 15th, 2026

Our Mission

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy, and prayer.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Thursdays 5 p.m.—6 p.m.
Saturdays 11 a.m. —12 p.m.
or contact the Parish Office 308-236-9171

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays 8 a.m.—Midnight
Fridays 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

FR. SCOTT HARTER

Fr. Scott Harter was ordained a priest in 2014 and became pastor of Prince of Peace in 2025.

FR. LAWRENCE KAWAGGA

Fr. Lawrence Kawagga was ordained a priest in 2024 and became associate pastor of Prince of Peace in 2025.

They are assisted by **Deacon Tom Martin** and **Deacon Ron Ridder**.

CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2026



Nathaniel Berrier
Brynlee Berggren
Jacob Bosshamer
Maddie Bridge
Reagan Burg
Wrylleigh Cates
Wyllough Cates
Jenna Christner
Justin Cooper
Kaeden Dorsey
Harper Downing
Paige Fitch
Kira Gilg
Ansleigh Grassmeyer
Kendall Hamilton
Addison Hock
Ella Kaiser
Mariah Kaslon
Katherine Khayat
Trey Koerner
Lauryn Kunze
Briggs Luedke
Sam Lungrin
Grady Mahony
Ava McBride
Ethan Molczyk
Taya Moseley
Madison Moxley
Lily Nicholson
Kendyl O'Hare
Asher O'Brien
Rowan Ostrander
Grace Prochaska
Maddison Riedel
Noah Schmit
Kaden Thornburg

Eucharistic Minister Training

After Mass on Saturday, Dec 5th and after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, Dec 6th

Fr. Scott will have a Eucharistic Minister re/training for ALL current (or aspiring) Eucharistic Ministers after the 5 PM Mass and 10:30 Mass on Dec 5/6.

Lector Training

After Mass on Saturday, Jan 30th and after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, Jan 31st

Fr. Scott will have a lector re/training for ALL current (or aspiring) lectors after the 5 PM Mass and 10:30 Mass on Jan 30/31.

Musician Retirement

Thank you for 40 years of service!

A special thanks from the parish to LeAnne Killian and Randy Holz who recently "retired" following 40 years of musical service to Prince of Peace.





Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 | MASS 7:30 AM
7:30 AM JOANN VRBKA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 | MASS 7:30 AM
7:30 AM KATHY HOCK†

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | MASS 7:30 AM
7:30 AM BISHOP HANEFELDT & PRIESTS OF THE G.I. DIOCESE
10:00 AM MASS AT BROOKESTONE GARDENS FOR SANDRA ELLIS †

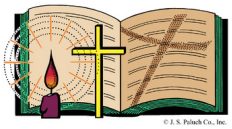
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 | MASS 12:05 PM
12:05 PM JOEL LUNGRIN† & FAMILY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 | MASS 7:30 AM
7:30 AM TERI RAHE †

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 | MASS 8:00 AM | 5:00 PM
8:00 AM KARL R. SR. AND ROBERTA GEIST †
5:00 PM FRANK & EULA CAMPBELL †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 | MASS 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM
8:00 AM PRINCE OF PEACE PARISHIONERS
10:30 AM JULIE RUBIN †





READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15TH

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46



Pope Leo XIV's intention
for the month of November:
For the proper use of wealth
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less

Recently Married: Nathan Stevenson & Brianna Callendar

Prayers for Healing:

Linda Giesler
Jeanne Gentry
Ed Mizner
Emily Brachle
Taya Moseley
Ryan Downey
Wanda Faimon & Family
Kim Buschkoetter
Georgia Unrein
Ron Woollen (Brother-in-law of Deb Osborn)
Sheila Sales (Friend of the parish)
Paul Campbell (Brother of Rita Johnson)
Carolyn (Ray) Menke (Sister-in-law of Carolyn Menke)
Bob Homan (Brother of Barb Oberg, Uncle of Ben & Steve Homan)
Heather Edwards (Daughter of Roger & Judy Walker)

And all others in need of prayer.

Please call the parish office if you have someone in need of prayer. Names will remain for approximately four weeks. Please call the office if you would like a name to remain on the list for longer.



Ministry to the Homebound: If you, a relative, or a friend are hospitalized or shut-in (short or long term) please let us know by calling the parish office at (308) 236-9171.



If you, or someone you know, have an upcoming milestone birthday or anniversary that you would like to have posted in the bulletin, please contact the parish office.



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Parish Support

2026-2027 Weekly Budget	**$ 22,500.00**
November Budget	**$112,500.00**
Sunday, November 1, 2026	**$22,213.48**
All Saints Collection	**$510.00**
Sunday, November 8, 2026	**$34,530.68**
Sunday, November 15, 2026	
Sunday, November 22, 2026	
Sunday, November 22, 2026	
November to Date	**$57,254.16**

This Week

Monday, November 16, 2026
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 2:00-4:00 p.m. Food Pantry
- 7:00 p.m. Life Teen

Tuesday, November 17, 2026
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Watchmen Meeting (Rosary 6:10)
- 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus (upstairs of POP)

Wednesday, November 18, 2026
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 10:00 a.m. Mass at Brookestone Gardens
- 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation
- 5:30 p.m. Faith Formation
- 7:00 p.m. Edge

Thursday, November 19, 2026
- 6:00 a.m. Watchmen Meeting (Breakfast 5:30)
- Adoration 8:00 a.m.-Midnight
- 12:05 p.m. Mass
- Keenagers Potluck Social (following Mass)
- 2:00-4:00 p.m. Food Pantry
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Confessions
- 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary

Friday, November 20, 2026
- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- Adoration 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 21, 2026
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:00 Baptism Prep Class
- 11:00 a.m.-12 p.m. Confessions
- 8:00 a.m.-4 p.m. OCIA Retreat (downstairs)
- 5:00 p.m. Mass
- Catholic Daughters of America Bake Sale! following Mass

Sunday, November 22, 2026
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- Catholic Daughters of America Bake Sale!
- 9:15 a.m. Catechism Class (downstairs)
- 10:30 a.m. Mass
- Catholic Daughters of America Bake Sale!
- 1:00 p.m. Seasons of Hope Grief Ministry

DIOCESAN APPEAL
OCTOBER 2026 - JUNE 2027

Donation Goal: $91,551
Donations Received: $35,740
Household Goal: 200
Household Total: 99

4 Meetings, Events & Retreats

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Keenagers Potluck Social

Thursday, November 19th

We will gather in the social hall for a meal following the 12:05 Mass. Bring a side dish or dessert to share with the group.





Advent Retreat at Prince of Peace

Saturday, December 12th 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Prince of Peace will be having an advent retreat presented by Father Mark Huber, Chancellor of the Grand Island Diocese and Paster of St. Leo's Parish in Grand Island. More info to come!



American History in 30 Minutes

Come see the Stars perform a sweeping mosaic of American History in 30 minutes (or less), Monday, November 16, 6:30PM on the stage at Kearney Catholic High School.



Friday, November 20th, 2026
Crowne Plaza Younes Conference Center North
Formal Attire Requested
Social Hour & Auction 6:00, Dinner 7:30,
Grand Auction 8:00
Go to www.kchsfoundation.org for registration



CDA Bake Sale

The Catholic Daughters Court St. James #2007

The Catholic Daughters will be having their annual fall bake sale before and after all Masses the weekend of November 21 & 22 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Funds raised from the bake sale are used for the student scholarships awarded by the Court each spring. We would appreciate your support.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas meet on the third Monday of the month at St. James (November 16th). The Rosary starts at 6:30 pm followed by a business meeting at 7. Please join them!

Nebraska Right to Life

Nebraska Right to Life is growing — and we're inviting YOU into the heart of it! We're building a Buffalo County Right to Life community team in Kearney to support women, protect babies, and stand for life with clarity and compassion. Reach out to Isabella at 402-318-3678 for more information and come to our next meeting, November 18 at 5:30 PM at the Kearney Public Library (Niobrara Room) to see how you can be a light for the unborn.



CAN A PRIEST HEAR CONFESSION THROUGH A PHONE CALL?

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One day someone asked me if I can hear his confession through a phone call. This same question came up more during Covid and also when people are sick and cannot see a priest physically.

The answer is, NO— the Catholic Church does not permit a priest to hear confession or give absolution over the phone, email, or online, because the sacrament requires the physical presence of both the priest and the penitent. You can easily talk to a priest on a phone call, seek counseling but you can not confess your sins on a phone call.

According to CCC 1455, the confession of sins, even from a simple human point of view, frees us and facilitates our reconciliation with others.

WHY THEN NOT ON A PHONE CALL? A SACRAMENTAL SEAL: The "Church declares that every priest who hears confessions is bound under very severe penalties to keep absolute secrecy regarding the sins that his penitents have confessed to him." (CCC 1467) Email, the Internet, and telephones are never completely private.

Canon 21 of the Fourth Council of the Lateran (1215), binding on the whole church, laid down the obligation of secrecy in the following words: Let the priest absolutely beware that he does not by word or sign or by any manner whatever in any way betray the sinner: but if he should happen to need wiser counsel let him cautiously seek the same without any mention of person. For whoever shall dare to reveal a sin disclosed to him in the tribunal of penance we decree that he shall be not only deposed from the priestly office but that he shall also be sent into the confinement of a monastery to do perpetual penance.

The Pontifical Council on Social Communications on The Church and Internet says: Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh-and-blood human community. There are no sacraments on the Internet; and even the religious experiences possible there by the grace of God are insufficient apart from real-world interaction with other persons of faith.

THE PRIEST MUST BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT WITH THE PENITENT: Confession is not simply the exchange of information about sins. It is a sacramental encounter in which the penitent confesses and the priest, acting in the person of Christ, gives absolution. Because of this sacramental nature, the Church does not consider a telephone or internet connection an adequate substitute for the physical presence required for confession.

IN CASE OF A SERIOUS DANGER: The priest can still pray with the person, encourage them to make an act of perfect contrition, and tell them to seek sacramental confession as soon as possible if they survive and are able to do so. Perfect contrition, arising from love of God, can obtain forgiveness of mortal sin when it includes the firm resolution to receive sacramental confession as soon as possible. This is not the same thing as receiving phone-call absolution.

A PRIEST SHOULD NOT SIMPLY GIVE ABSOLUTION OVER THE PHONE: Even if the person is genuinely sorry, the priest should not treat a telephone conversation as though it were the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The issue is not that the priest does not care or that God cannot hear the person's prayer. It is because the sacrament has a form established by Christ and entrusted to His Church.

In conditions of danger, do not wait until you can reach a priest before turning back to God. In simple words, you can call a priest for spiritual help, talk or counseling but not for confession.

N.B. I urge you once again to seek reconciliation whenever you want (remember that a sick person will always see a doctor before the sickness worsens), make an appointment with any priest or any priest you feel free with from your parish or any other parish. Priests are there to give you sacraments, for that is the mission we chose. Do not wait to get sick to confess your sins, do it now, for you do not know what will happen after or tomorrow. Always remember the sacrament of reconciliation is a sacrament of healing so love it, be open and embrace it.

SOURCES: John 20:21-23, James 5:16, Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1450, 1451-1453, 1484, Code of Canon Law 21, Canons 959, 960, 987, Reconciliationis Paenitentia, St. John Paul II, Catholic Dailies source.

-Fr. Lawrence Kawagga Questions? Email me at *lkawagga@gidiocese.org*

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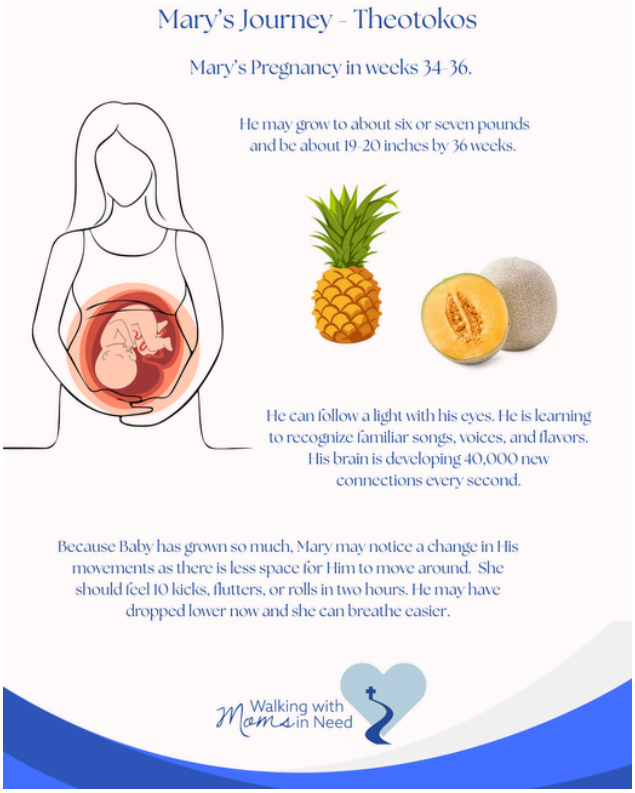
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November 21/22	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Greeters	Adell Ryan Kurt Schmidt	Bill Vosik James Kennedy	Chris Knoell Nancy Stritt
Servers	Elijah Lacy Clare Lacy William Friesell Needs to be filled	Parker Welch Adalyn Nelson Kaylee Nelson Sullivan Ostrander	Jack Knoell Sam Knoell Nolan Lowe Emmett Clay
Gift Bearer	Needs to be filled	Needs to be filled	Angelique Bruggeman
Lector	Steve Melia	Bryce Riessland	Michael Heeney
Eucharistic Minister	Adell Ryan Steve Melia Denise O'Brien Bev Schumacher Brian Vinton Gary Little Darleen Schulte	Shirley Gilbreath Bill Gilbreath Matthew Wecker Cathy Labun Gracie Matthis Gene Mack Carrie Rasmussen	Carl Speer Joni Ritchie Bridget Nore Reagan Lowe Adam Schapmann Amy Johnson Needs to be filled
Sound	Gwen Christner	Robert Hock	Brian Lowe
Livestreaming			John Stritt
Coordinator	Kathy White	Valerie Fredericksen	Amy Johnson
Sacristan	Kathy White	Steve Melia	Alec Knoell
Homebound		**Rt 1** Bill Wright **Rt 2** James Kennedy **Rt 3** Greg Welch **Rt 4** Randy Buschkoetter **Rt 5** Mike Labun **Rt 6** Butch Knapp	

Give Where you Live is Thursday, December 3

Early Giving Opens Online November 5

Kearney Community Food Pantry

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October 4th-November 22nd

We are looking for donations of nonperishable foods like canned soup, crackers, and cereal. Please help make our campaign a success. Place your donations in the baskets upstairs. Thank you!

Prince of Peace Catholic Charities

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday, November 17th for the November 29th bulletin due to early holiday transmission deadlines.

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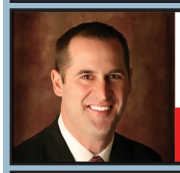
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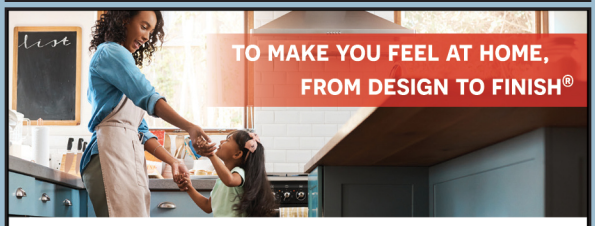
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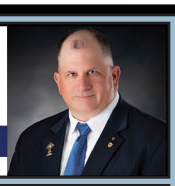
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