







PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Sunday, November 23rd, 2025

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 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

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.

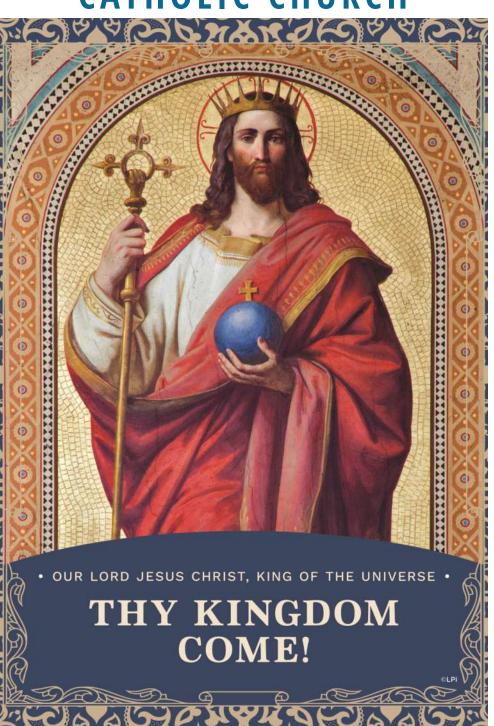
Fr. Scott Harter

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.**





Mark your calendars to save Saturday morning, Dec 6, 2025 for our Advent Retreat. Father Dave Korth of Sacred Heart Church in Omaha will be our guest speaker. The theme is "Celebrating the Year of Hope, Reminding Ourselves Why Jesus Came." Fr. Korth has a reputation of being an inspiring speaker so be sure to join us. More details to follow in the upcoming bulletins.



Keenagers

Thursday, December 11th

Prince of Peace Social Hall Starting with Mass at 12:00 pm and a potluck meal to follow. Join us for fellowship & fun. Bring a side dish or dessert to share.





Want to support pregnant women as they pursue their education at the University of Nebraska Kearney? Join us on Saturday, December 6th at the Visitation Banquet, a night of food and fellowship hosted by UNK Students for Life to raise money for their

newly established scholarship fund! Please look for informational posters on display around the church for more details.

VOCATION PATHWAYS

Quo Vadis Day—December 13, 2025

Time: 9:30am—3:30pm

Where: St Teresa of Calcutta Newman Center For single men, high school seniors and older. loin other men who are thinking about their vocation and hear from those who have experience in the journey of the Christian discipleship.

Discernment Groups

For men 16-35—These groups will be formed as needed in each area. These groups will meet for times of prayer, discussion on discernment, and connection with other men.

Go to www.givocations.org for more information.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 | MASS 7:30 AM 7:30 AM LILLIAN KRASON †

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM THE GODPARENTS OF KATHY FOX †

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 | MASS 7:30 AM | 6:00 PM

7:30 AM ROBERT & GENON KIRBY † 6:00 PM JANET ALBRECHT †

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 | MASS 9:00 AM 12:05 PM JOAN DIESSNER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM GRANDPARENTS OF KATHY FOX †

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29 MASS 8:00 AM | 5:00 PM

8:00 AM STILLBORN GRANDBABY OF KATHY FOX † 5:00 PM MICHAEL BRIGGS †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 | MASS 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

8:00 AM DONNA BIDDLE † 10:30 AM ZACHARY MCKENZIE †

Pope Leo XIV's intention for the month of November: For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Blue Christmas

Prince of Peace and the Adult Spiritual Enrichment Team are offering a "Blue Christmas" prayer service **Sunday, December 14th, 2025 at 3:00** PM. The Christmas Season can be a difficult holiday season when a person is mourning the loss of a loved one, going through a significant life style change, or loved ones are not able to be with you. You are invited to join us as we pray, sing and share our memories. This prayer service is open to anyone who is in need of comfort during the Christmas season.

SEEK 2026

We are excited to take Kearney seniors back to SEEK this year in Denver, CO! This conference offers an incredible opportunity for high school seniors to come together with college students from all over the country to worship and grow in their faith. Last year, five students experienced a transformative encounter with Jesus, and their lives changed as a result. Now, they are thriving in their Newman Centers, actively pursuing their faith during their college years.

This year, we have already tripled the number of students joining us and we need your support. Your contributions will help cover transportation, accommodations, and conference fees. Donations can be given via cash, check to Prince of Peace, or through the GoFundMe link below. Thank you for prayerfully considering supporting this meaningful journey for our Kearney seniors! https://gofund.me/0d269acd4

PRAYER AND WORS



PLEASE PRAY FOR... **EDWARD O'BRIEN CINDY MACK TOM & MARILYN SCHACHTA KATHY HOCK EMILY BRACHLE** ANSEL BAUMGARTNER NICK MAYFIELD (SON-IN-LAW OF VIVIAN & JERRY BROWN) TAYA MOSELEY

BOB & KAY BRASS (COUSIN OF ADELE RYAN) **RICK PULLIAM** (COUSIN OF ADELE RYAN)

HEATHER EDWARDS (DAUGHTER OF ROGER & JUDY WALKER)

CAROLYN (RAY) MENKE (SISTER-IN-LAW OF JERRY & CAROLYN MENKE)

AND ALL OTHERS IN NEED OF PRAYER.

PLEASE CALL HELEN AT THE 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.

Altar Server training for all Altar Server training for all new and current Altar Servers will be held at Prince of Peace on Tuesday, November 25th from 5:30-7:30nm There will from 5:30- 7:30pm. There will

Current Households: 114

be pizza provided for all participants. This training and celebration will help with new rituals and establish leadership roles within this ministry. Thank you for offering your time for the Mass and our priests in humble service.





Monday, November 24, 2025

7:30 AM Mass

2:00 PM Food Pantry Open 7:00 PM Life Teen (social hall)

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

7:30 AM Mass

5:30 PM Altar Server Training until 7:30

6:30 PM Watchmen (social hall)

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

7:30 AM Mass

6:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Mass

Thursday, November 27, 2025 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass

Friday, November 28, 2025 7:30 AM Mass

Saturday, November 29, 2025

8:00 AM Mass

11:00 AM Confessions until 12:00 PM

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, November 30, 2025

8:00 AM Mass

9:15 AM Deacon Tom's Theology Class

10:30 AM Mass

4:00 PM OCIA Class



The Knights of Columbus will be leading the recitation of the rosary after Masses next weekend, the 29th/30th. All are welcome!



BUDGET: \$21,100.00

NOVEMBER BUDGET \$105,500.00 \$19,100.66

SUNDAY, NOV 2, 2025 ALL SAINTS DAY

555.00 SUNDAY, NOV 12, 2025 SUNDAY, NOV 19, 2025 \$13,620.72

\$ SUNDAY, NOV 26, 2025

NOVEMBER TO DATE \$33,276.91

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 23, 2025

Sunday:

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/ Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday:

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday:

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/ Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday:

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday:

Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday:

Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/ Lk 21:29-33

Saturday:

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/ Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, **"You will be with me."**

That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

— Father John Muir

FOOD PANTRY ADVENT CALENDAR

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Prince of Peace Community Pantry Family Activity Advent Calendar

| December 2025 | | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | Box of Cereal | Deodorant | Canned Chicken | Toilet Paper | Canned Beans | Toothpaste | |
| Peanut Butter | 8 Laundry Soap | Canned Tuna | Dish Soap | Canned Vegetables | Bar Soap | Spaghetti Sauce | |
| Package of Pasta | Ramen Noodles | Snacks | Shampoo & Conditioner | Jelly | Spaghettios, Ravioli & Chili | Boxed Rice or Potatoes | |
| 21 Canned Soup | Box of Crackers | 23 Canned Fruit | Macaroni & Cheese | 25 BLESSED Christmas | 26 | 27 | |
| 28 | 29 | The above are examples of the pantry's current needs. Please feel free to make substitutions. The pantry can use all food items and would like you to do this as an Advent activity. Boxes can be brought to the church. There will be a table set up in the parish hall from December 15th–December 19th, and after December 26th. If you prefer not to participate in the Advent Calendar, monetary donations are welcome. | | | | | |





In gratitude for the generosity that strengthens our community, Kearney Catholic invites you to join us for Adoration in the Chapel of the Beloved Disciples on Wednesday, December 4th, from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Come spend quiet time with Jesus and pray for the students, faculty, and families who are part of our shared recipe for success. All are welcome!



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY GROUP

Pray & Play Adoration **First Fridays** of each

month

9:00-10:30 am at St. James

We will split our time taking turns socializing & watching children in the social hall and being in the sanctuary. Please reach out with any questions or to join the group contact list for more social and prayer opportunities! Julie Myers 308-233-2589 juliepmyers@gmail

Next One: December 5

Contact Us

Office Hours: 9am-4pm Mon-Friday

Office Phone: 308-236-9171

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Cecilia Fick (Business Manager):

finance@kearneyprinceofpeace.org

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For a full listing of staff with emails go to princeofpeacekearney.com/staff

Helping Hands: Offering temporary help & support to parishioners in need. Call or email the parish office.

Like us on facebook & download our Parish App at myparishapp.com

Welcome packets for new parishioners available at each church entrance.



Men's Weekend – February 27-March 1, 2026, at Camp Comeca, Cozad, NE Women's Weekend – March 27-29, 2026, at Camp Comeca, Cozad, NE Deadline to register is 30 days prior to the weekend (or until the weekend is full).

NEW! Online registration with an option for electronic payment is available. To register online, please visit https://gidiocese.org/cec or scan the appropriate QR code below!

| 2026 Women's Weekend: | 2026 Men's Weekend: | |
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| Nov 29/30 | 5:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM |
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| Greeters | Kurt Schmidt | Larry Wheeler | Tom McCann |
| | Adell Ryan | Kimberly Gewecke | Michael Heeney |
| Servers | Max Lungrin John Lungrin Parker Snider | Owen Wheeler Jackson Pandorf Kaylee Nelson | Emmett Clay Nolan Lowe Jacob Shuda Sebastian Petrackis |
| Gift Bearer | Needs to be filled | Needs to be filled | Jason Shuda |
| Lectors | Lynda Daake | Lisa Schuessler | Regina McCann |
| Eucharistic | Carolyn Menke | Darren Yendra | Michael Heeney |
| Ministers | Le Spencer | Amy Eigenberg | Randy Buschkoetter |
| | Cathy Emrick | Inga Yendra | Brian Lowe |
| | Judy Walker | John Ostermann | Brooke Ward |
| | Mary O'Rourke | Valerie Fredericksen | Sara Homan |
| | Brian Vinton | Chris Downey | Ken Vyvlecka |
| Sound | Joel Lungrin | Gwen Christner | James Friesen |
| Livestreaming | | | |
| Coordinator | Judy Walker | Kathy Knapp | Melissa Murphy |
| Sacristan | Robert Schulte | Butch Knapp | Chris Knoell |
| Homebound Route 1 Route 2 Route 3 Route 4 Route 5 Route 6 | Please use Ministry Scheduler to request a substitute if you can't fulfill your assignment. | Bill Wright Janine Walker Bill Gilbreath Leroy Korus Pat Trausch James Rowling | Please contact Tiffany Shuda or Kathy White at the parish office if you would like to be trained for any of these ministries. Thank you for serving the Lord! |

PRO-LIFE



40th Annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 27, 2025 Old Town Hall (1900 Central Ave) From 11:30 am—2:30 pm

Free turkey dinner with all the trimmings!

Need a meal delivered? Call the Old Town Hall on Wednesday 8-5 or Thursday 8-12:30 at 308-237-4255.

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Dr. Kyle & Julie Myers juliepmyers@gmail.com Visitation Banquet in Kearney on December 6 We encourage you to support this wonderful charity event hosted by UNK's Students for Life. Donations fund a scholarship for pregnant women on campus.

Listen to "It's Real Life" on Spirit Catholic Radio Recently, Mike and Linda Kube were honored to be interviewed on Spirit Radio for the "That's Real Life" podcast. This podcast airs weekly on Wednesdays at 11:30 am and Saturdays at 5:00 pm and is sponsored by the Nebraska Pregnancy Care Alliance. You can listen to Mike and Linda's interview here: https:// open.spotify.com/episode/0QHvXqvsWm7b6MvXYU0EHJ

To find the PHO Pregnancy Help Organization in your area, go to: https:// nebraskapregnancycarealliance.org

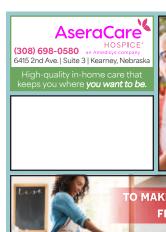
'Be Not afraid!' Have the courage to be a witness and evangelist for the Gospel of Life By Bishop James Conley, October 31, 2025 Read Bishop's Letter here: https://www.lincolndiocese.org/op-ed/bishop-s-column/19190-be -not-afraid-2

Pro-Life Calendar

Dec 6 Visitation Banquet, UNK SFL Charity Event, Kearney

Dec 29 Holy Innocents Mass for Healing, Cathedral (5:15 PM) Celebrant: Bishop James Golka (invited)

Bulletin Deadline: November 25th for the December 7th bulletin due to holiday early submission deadlines.







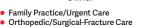












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