

**St. Andrew Catholic Church
Bloomfield, Nebraska**



**St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church
Verdigre, Nebraska**



**St. William Catholic Church
Niobrara, Nebraska**



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 17, 2022

**St. Andrew - St. Wenceslaus - St. William
Vision and Purpose Statement
*Make Disciples and Lead others into Relationship with Jesus***



PARISH CONTACTS

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St. William Parish Organizations

St. William Church
262 Buckeye Rd,
Niobrara, NE 68760
402-857-3438

Parish Council Pres: Kevin Barta.....857-3699
Parish Trustee: Alan Kemp857-3597
Parish Trustee: Mary Scheinost857-3763
Altar Society Pres: Kathy Foner857-3455

St. Wenceslaus Parish Organizations

409 S. 3rd St. P.O. Box 9,
Verdigre, NE 68783-0009

402-668-2331 Auditorium and Fax: 402-668-2375

Parish Council Pres: Greg Johnson340-5007
Parish Trustee: Dan Vakoc.....668-7206
Parish Trustee: Fran Kucera.....668-7217
Altar Society Pres: Wilma Vakoc.....668-7206
3rd Degree K of C: Don Hanzlik857-3636
4th Degree K of C: Ken Meyer.....358-3881
CDA Regent: Marlene Meyer.....358-3881
DRE: Zoe Vakoc.....668-2260
Omaha Province Director: Theresa Pavlik358-0608

St. Andrew Parish Organizations

St. Andrew Church
305 South McNamara Street
Bloomfield, NE 68718
402-373-2233

Parish Council Pres: Troy Pinkelman402-617-0815
Parish Trustee: Troy Pinkelman402-617-0815
Parish Trustee: Steve Kumm.....402-841-6399
Altar Society Pres.: Cheri Haverkamp605-254-2627
Christian Mothers: Luann Schumacher.....605-660-6122
K of C Grand Knight: Wendell Strom.....402-427-3510
DRE: Tanya DeWald605-660-8944

All Council members listed on www.saintsww.org

SUMMER WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. William, Niobrara..... Sunday Vigil5:00 P.M.
St. Wenceslaus, VerdigreSunday8:30 A.M.
St. Andrew, Bloomfield.....Sunday10:30 A.M.

THE SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGE

Arrangements for the Sacrament of Matrimony must be made with the Pastor at least six or even eight months in advance of the wedding date. Please do not set a wedding date until visiting with the Pastor.

BAPTISM

If you are expecting your first child, please call the rectory to register for a baptism class.

RECONCILIATION (PENANCE/CONFESSION)

Saturday at St. William, 4:15-4:45 before 5:00 p.m. Mass. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. before 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Wenceslaus, St. Andrew 11:30-noon. Other times, call for an appointment.

CONFIRMATION

If you **are not** in CFF and **have not received** this sacrament you should desire to do so in the future. Please contact Father Kizito or the Parish Office.

HOLY ORDERS, RELIGIOUS, CONSECRATED LIFE

If you are discerning a call to any of these vocations, please contact your pastor or the Archdiocesan Vocations Director, Rev. Andrew J. Roza, 402-558-3100.

Website: www.saintsww.org (includes link to Parish Cemetery Directory)

Facebook: [St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church / St. William Catholic Church](#)

Catholic Programming: (TV) [EWTN Channel 19 Cable](#)

Spirit Radio:88.3 (KOLB) Hartington 91.5 Grand Island 102.7 Papillion /Lincoln



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

The Archdiocese of Omaha encourages the faithful to consider an offering of \$10 for Mass stipends. **Please make checks payable to St. Wenceslaus Church.** (All three parishes Mass stipends are paid from St. Wenceslaus Mass Stipend account.)

(†)Mass Intention for Deceased (Int.) Special Intention Mass

Monday, July 18, 2022 No Mass

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

8:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre
Int: † Joseph O'Reilly

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre
Int: † Donna Maly

10:00 a.m. Mass @ Alpine
Int: Living and Deceased Andersen Family

Thursday, July 21, 2022

8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Andrew, Bloomfield
Int: † Deceased Fehring Family
*Adoration following 8:30 a.m. Mass until 3:00.

5:30 p.m. Mass @ St. William, Niobrara
Int: Joyce Stark
*Adoration from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Friday, July 22, 2022

8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre
Int: † Donna Mae Haverkamp
*Adoration following Service until 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 23, 2022

5:00 p.m. Mass @ St. William, Niobrara
Int: Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, July 24, 2022

8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre
Int: † Terry Maly

10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Andrew, Bloomfield
Int: † Paul Wagner

*** Adoration closes with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction.

Liturgy Assignment	St. Wenceslaus July 24th *Summer Schedule	St. William July 23rd *Summer Schedule	St. Andrew July 24th
	Sun. 8:30 a.m.	Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Altar Ministers	Carolyn Kment Kim Johnson	Taylor Teadtke	Keegan Gilsdorf Madison Abbenhaus Kaden Haverkamp
Lector	Kathy Masat	Gina Johnson	Lyndsy Jenness
Ushers	Ken and Pam Sukup		
Greeters	Rita Wickett Michelle Kotrous		Shonn and Amber Endres
Offertory	Ken and Pam Sukup		
EMHC	Pam Sukup	Ruth Bathke	Bill Schumacher
Cantor	Betty Marshall		Deb Van Metre
Accompanist	Pete Pavlik		Laurie Larsen
Money Processors	Jane Bartos Sam Sukup	Gina Johnson Marjean Pischel	*Tom/Terri Olander *Duane/Diana Mlady *Rick/Peg Kuchar

St. William Church Cleaning
St. William Church Cleaners for July 23rd: Ruth Bathke and Kathy Foner.

DEADLINE Bulletin Deadline is
Wednesday Noon

St. Andrew	St. Wenceslaus	St. William
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NOTE THE COLOR CODE USED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
(COLORS SHOW ONLINE OR WHEN PRINTED IN COLOR)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Office Hours - Tues.-Fri. 8:00-4:00 p.m.

- July 22nd– Fr. Kizito’s last daily Mass at 8:30 at St. Wenceslaus.
- July 29th– Y-Disciple Youth Group will go to Steubenville for a youth conference.
- Aug. 3rd– 7:00 p.m. St. Andrew Altar Society Meeting.
- Aug 11th– 7:00 p.m. St. Wenceslaus Altar Society Meeting in the Fr. Oborny Auditorium.
- Aug. 11th– 7:30 p.m. Third Degree Knights of Columbus meeting in the church plaza.

Stewardship Report

	St. Andrew	Env's	St. Wenceslaus	Env's	St. William	Env's
Weekly Cash Needs 21-22	\$1,261.92		\$1,409.96		\$665.90	
Sunday Env	\$961.00	22/130	\$1618.00	47/125	\$680.00	19/55
Sunday Plate	\$76.00		\$211.00		\$99.00	
Children's	\$5.00	5				
Crosier	\$145.00		\$173.00			
Fall Fund						
Cemetery			\$25.00	1		
Special Coll			\$40.00	3	\$294.00	
Total Deposit	\$1187.00		\$2067.00		\$1073.00	



St. Andrew Mowing Schedule

Please maintain Grotto and north street curb as well as church grounds. Use church mower or your own if you prefer. Problems or concerns contact Duane Mlady 402-373-2565.

July 11- July 17 Kurt Ziegler and Joe Abbenhaus
July 18th- July 24th Kevin Mlady and Wade Jenness
July 25th- July 31st Nick DeWald and Steve Haverkamp



Tim Staples speaks on "Why be Catholic"

COLUMBUS, NE : Spirit Catholic Radio invites you to hear Catholic Answers Senior Apologist, **Tim Staples**, speak on "Why Be Catholic" at St. Bonaventure Church on Tuesday, July 26, at 7pm. Tickets are \$5, or bring your friends and reserve 5 tickets for \$20! Tickets can be purchased at spiritcatholicradio.com.

Sacrament of Confirmation



Congratulations to Scott Wessel who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Andrew Church on Sunday, July 17th.

St. Joseph Church in Constance Supper & Bazaar

All Saints Parish at St. Joseph Church in Constance, NE is hosting their annual supper and bazaar on Sunday, July 17, in the air-conditioned Constance Parish Center. Serving chicken, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, homemade pies, plus salad bar, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Adults \$12.00, Ages 6-12 \$6.00, 5 and under free. Bingo, games for kids, quilt raffle, and a large raffle featuring two split sides of beef, limited edition prints, cash prizes, and more. Bring the whole family!!

Sacrament of Baptism and First Communion



Congratulations to Braxtyn and Bella Mitchum who will receive the sacrament of Baptism and First Communion this Saturday, July 16th at St. William Church at Niobrara.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL

The Knights of Columbus Council 5218 of St Wenceslaus

St. Andrew Knights of Columbus #10592

Become a member of this national brotherhood of Catholic men in your own community. Talk to a Knight about joining our council.

Welcome Pastor Fr. Jeremy Hans Associate Pastor Fr. David Mhagama

On July 23rd and 24th we will welcome our new pastor Fr. Jeremy Hans from Creighton and associate Fr. David Mhagama, who has arrived from Tanzania. Please give a warm welcome to both priests and our newly formed cluster, St. Ludger, Creighton; St. Paul, Plainview; St. Ignatius, Brunswick along with St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre; St. Andrew, Bloomfield and St. William, Niobrara.



From the Pastor's desk...

The First and Gospel readings for this weekend (Gn 18:1-10 and Lk 10: 38-42) are about visiting, hospitality and service. Depending on how you perceive yourself as a host and the timing of a visit, entertaining an unannounced visitor can be a challenge. This is true even for visitors like Jesus who didn't need any formal invitation to the home of Mary and Martha and their brother Lazarus. Although most people enjoy having friends over, making sure that everything is ready, and that everyone is having fun can be overwhelming.

I know many "Marthas" in my life and they are great and generous hosts who take delight in hosting parties. Sometimes these individuals get too absorbed in the preparation and serving that they forget the big picture which is enjoying the company of their guests. Furthermore, certain kinds of "Martha" may just become overwhelmed, stressed and resentful especially when they perceive themselves as doing all the work with much to be done. Therefore, hosting a guest is a delicate game of balance between entertainment and being present to your guests. It is finding balance between the act of serving and being attentive. It is like breathing with both lungs. And in the language of prayer, it is striking a balance between the active and contemplative life. Indeed, we must spend time learning at the feet of the master in order to be effective servants like He who came not to be served but to serve. So, what kind of a Martha are you?

Don't get me wrong, what can we do without the many selfless, thoughtful, kind, compassionate, focused, thorough and passionate Marthas of the world. During my years here in Verdigre I have known quite so many. Thank you to all the Marthas that made so many parish events and gatherings possible and fun over these years. Special gratitude to our musicians, cantors, greeters, lectors, EMHC ministers, altar servers, sacristans, ushers, money counters, decorators, janitors, maintenance crew and lawn caretakers who engage in several tasks to make our parishes a place of encounter with the Lord. I am truly grateful to each of you for all you have done these years.

Finally, I am particularly grateful to some of the "Marthas" who have worked very closely with me during these past years. Top most on that list is Deacon Keith Pavlik and Rita Pavlik. There is no way I could have survived these nine years without your knowledge, skills, sacrifices, kindness and generosity. Thank you for all you have been to me and your kindness will never be forgotten. Also, I offer my gratitude to Barb Jackson, Jean Pavelka, Zoe Vakoc, Tanya Dewald and all the Catechists and youth ministers for sharing the faith with the children and families of our parishes, and their support of my ministry. Again, but not for the last time, thank you Verdigre, Niobrara and Bloomfield for your hospitality and love. You will always be in my thoughts and prayers and may God's blessings be upon your towns.

I commend you to the intercessions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our patron Saints Andrew, Wenceslaus and William. Stay close to Jesus and your family. Thanks God bless you.



St. Wenceslaus/ St. William Y Disciple Group

The YD youth group will be attending the Steubenville Conference in St. Paul, Mn at the end of July. We are asking for donations in the form of snacks for the long van ride and/or a monetary donation for special treats (pizza, lunch at a restaurant, t-shirts etc.) while at the conference. Snacks can be left at the church office. Monetary gifts can be placed in the collection basket and labeled "YD". Thank you all for your support.

The Bible Project Presented by Nora Kucera and Family

For: All Kindergarten through 3rd grade are welcome!

Place: The Verdigre Library

When: July 18th & 21st at 1:30 PM



Two dates offering an Old and New Testament Bible story with games, crafts, snacks, and music



Priest Meal Train for Fr. Hans and Fr. Mhagama:



Father David will be arriving on July 22nd and we would like to provide meals for Father Hans and Father David's freezers at St. Ludger

Rectory for them to be able to warm and eat when needed. Maybe a gift card or a meal from a local restaurant. If you would like to provide a hot meal instead of a ready to eat entrée, please let Tara know a day you would like to do that. We would like to have all of this set up by Friday, July 22nd. Please contact St. Ludger office at 402.358.3501 or email tgragert@ludgercatholic.org if you are willing to make an entrée or want to provide a hot meal. Meals can also be brought to St. Wenceslaus rectory after July 24th. Examples: premade lasagna, meatloaf, casseroles etc that can be frozen and then cooked later.



St. William Prayer Line– Please call Fran Shaffer at 402-857-3639 for a request to add someone to the Prayer line.



St. Andrew Prayer Line– Please call Christy Mackeprang at 402-841-5379 for a request to add someone to the Prayer line.



St. Wenceslaus Prayer Line– Please call Janet Pavelka at 402-668-7349 for a request to add someone to the Prayer line.

Fasting Brothers

Seeking Men in our Tri-Cluster parish to augment our Seven Sisters Apostolate (Seven Women, One Priest, One Hour, One Day, with the Holy Eucharist) **FASTING BROTHERS** is a Groups of men offering various forms of fasting to augment the prayer efforts of our Seven Sisters group. Each man prayerfully discerns the type of fasting he will offer and commits to fast a designated day of the week (excepting Sunday/Solemnities). For more information visit <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/mission-and-structure/> **Contact Zoe Vakoc at 402-841-4413 to learn more and sign up!**

St. William Clean up in the Grotto!

A BIG Thanks to Tammy Parks, Terry and Don Hanzlik for cleaning up the "Lady of the River Grotto" for this weekend's mass. It looks great! Also, Thank you to whoever cleaned the back flower room at St. William. Your work is much appreciated. Thanks for stepping up.
Thanks also to Bob and Pat Altwine and son for cleaning up the down trees at the Grotto.

**August 28th and September 11th
2022 MARRIAGE CELEBRATION**

Archbishop George J. Lucas invites you to attend the annual Mass honoring marriage on August 28th at St. Mary's in Norfolk or September 11th at St. Cecilia's in Omaha. This event honors couples who are celebrating 1, 5, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage. Rosary at 2pm, Mass at 2:30pm and cake reception to follow. Names of couples who register by July 12th will be included in the program. Visit ArchOmaha.org/FamilyLife for more information and to register. Contact the Evangelization and Family Life Office 402-551-9003 with questions.

Liturgy Assignments Will Be Made Quarterly

As our parishes transition into the new cluster, it has been requested that all advanced liturgy assignments be made, at least, quarterly. The three parishes will update the liturgical ministry list of assignments through the end of September. The parish office is asking that when you are assigned a weekend or time that does not work for you, please contact and trade with another minister for that assignment.

The three parish volunteers, Wilma Vakoc of St. Wenceslaus, Verdigre; Kathy Foner of St. William, Niobrara; and Denise Koertje, St. Andrew, Bloomfield put much effort into preparing the assignment lists. We want to assist them by making certain the assignment is fulfilled.

If you wish to participate in one of the ministries, please let your volunteer scheduler know your wish. It is important to your parish.

**COMING IN THE FALL
AT ST. WENCESLAUS**

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THAT MAN IS YOU!
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PLANNING AHEAD

FEATURING NEW, DYNAMIC
PRESENTERS FOR 2022-2023