

STAY AWAKE,  
FOR YOU KNOW  
NEITHER THE DAY  
NOR THE HOUR.

MATTHEW 25:13



THIRTY-SECOND  
**SUNDAY**  
IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER

8

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In the old spiritual, "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" we hear the imperative to wait and be ready, and while there are many variations, it usually ends "The world is nearly done." "The time is drawing near." or "The day is dawn-ing nigh." The liturgical year is near its end, and we begin to feel that tension of "already but not yet" as the readings become more eschatological (about the end-times) in nature. We are called to wait patiently. Yet, like the wise and foolish virgins, we run the risk of falling asleep, and or running out of oil. Waiting for God, preparing for God, requires much hope, much preparation and discipline, and at times it is counter-intuitive. We must put aside impatience or the desire for immediate gratification and keep the end in sight. In running terms, it is not a sprint, but a marathon.

### LAMPS TRIMMED AND BURNING

So how do we do this? Whether we are sitting in the pew or one of those involved more intimately in liturgical ministry, this is a call for spiritual self-maintenance. None of our scriptures today is passive. Seeking and waiting for God requires

work. Presence and participation in the liturgy are among the easiest and most natural ways to provide fuel for our spiritual lamps. But like a car, we need to do more than just put in gasoline. There are other needs to attend to for upkeep. Just read the opportunities in this bulletin! Perhaps you may want to attend a parish scripture class or find a spiritual book to read. Sign up online to receive the daily readings or some sort of daily reflection. Find a spiritual podcast to listen to on your commute home from work or turn off the news and music and drive in morning silence. Share simple, regular prayer times as a family such as at meals and bedtime. Experience the sacrament of Reconciliation. Or maybe you do too much, and the call is to let go of something. Do not become burned out or lose heart. Take courage and remember, "The day is drawing nigh!" Amen.

Today's Readings: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;  
1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

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### Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. St. Bernard, Wamego

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego

8:45 a.m. St. Joseph, Flush

10:45 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. on Wednesday at St. Bernard

4:00 p.m. on Saturday at St. Bernard

7:30 p.m. on Saturday at St. Joseph

or call for an appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Call for appointment.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Must notify pastor at least  
6 months in advance.

### Shut-Ins

Call Joanne Burgos 785-456-7869  
for Holy Communion

## ST. BERNARD – WAMEGO

Mon Nov 9: 8:00 am Jim Simecka Family  
 Tues Nov 10: 8:00 am +Dr. Cuevas  
 Thurs Nov 12: 8:00 am +Pat Farrell  
 Fri Nov 13: 8:00 am Jim Jueneman  
 Sat Nov 14: 8:00 am +Maxine Eichem  
 Sat Nov 14: 5:00 pm Parishioners  
 Sun Nov 15: 9:00 am No Mass  
 Sun Nov 15: 10:45 am No Mass

+deceased

**Confession:** Fr Mike will be having confessions inside St. Bernard's at below times.

Saturday (November 7) -3:00-4:00 pm

Wednesday (November 11)-4:45-5:30 pm

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**Parish Contacts:**

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## ST. JOSEPH - FLUSH

Sat Nov 7: 5:00 pm +Fr. Carl Dekat  
 Sun Nov 8: 8:45 am Special Intentions  
 Tues Nov 10: 6:00 pm Paula Fike  
 Thurs Nov 12: 6:00 pm Parishioners

+deceased

**Stewardship last Sunday: \$1065 Thank you**

**K of C Raffle Tickets:** K of C are selling raffle tickets for the Kansas Religious Education Fund. Tickets are \$10. Contact Richard Dugan at 785-844-0015 if you would like to buy tickets.

**K of C Meeting:** Monday at 8:00 pm.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass Sign Up:** There is a sign up in the back of church for liturgical ministries for Thanksgiving Mass. Please sign up, if you're able to help out. Thanks!

**2021 Lector Workbooks:** Are there at the Church, available for pickup.

MASS TIME & DATE	PRECIOUS BODY	PRECIOUS BLOOD	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS/GIFTS	CANTOR/MUSICIANS
Sat. Nov 14: St. Joseph 5:00 pm	Fr. Earl		Mary Siderewicz	Kyra Nippert Liv Nippert	Ed Heptig Brenda Heptig	
Sun. Nov 15: St. Joseph 8:45 am	Fr. Earl		William Kufahl	Avery Adams Alexis Adams	Kathy Kufahl Andrew Kufahl	
Sat. Nov 14: St. Bernard 5:00 pm	Joann Burgos		Ramona Stueve	Alexa Fulmer Austen Fulmer	Dennis Fund Mary Beth Fund	
Sun. Nov 15: St. Bernard 9:00 am	NO MASS					
Sun. Nov 15: St. Bernard 10:45 am	NO MASS					

**BOTH PARISHES**

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**November 8, 2020**

Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

— *Matthew 25:13*

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16).

**Psalm** — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

**Second Reading** — Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]).

**Gospel** — Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13).

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**EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED**

If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are—if we think about it—to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it.

Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn't tell it to make us dour and somber. The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen—is bound to happen—so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes.

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**THANKSGIVING DAY MASSES:**  
**St. Bernard—8:00 am**  
**St. Joseph—8:00 am**

**ST BERNARD**

**Mass:** Mass this weekend ((Nov 7 & 8) will be full mass schedule. Next weekend (Nov 14) will be Saturday night only.

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**Ladies Craft Day:** We are having a ladies craft day Saturday, December 5 at St. Bernard's parish hall. It will be a come & go event from 1-4 pm. We will be making a shirt with a Christmas image, a Christmas card, and an ornament. It will be \$10 to participate to cover supplies. Also if you plan to make a shirt, please bring a shirt with you to print the image on. If you would like to participate, please email Jamie at stber-nard66547@gmail.com so we know how many supplies to purchase.

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**55+ Senior Breakfast:** There will be a 55+ Senior Breakfast on Saturday, November 14 at 10:00 am. Please call Kathleen Scherer at 785-456-1835 to RSVP.

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**2021 Lector Workbooks:** Lector workbooks are now available in the server's room.

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**Community Thanksgiving Dinner:** Sponsored by the Wamego Council of Churches will be Thanksgiving Day at the First United Methodist Church. St. Bernard has been asked to make 3 pumpkin desserts. Please call the office to sign up. Thank You!

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**Winter Weather:** Winter weather is fast approaching. We will be needing volunteers for snow removal. If you are willing to volunteer for this job, please call Jeff at 785-477-5865.

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**Food Pantry:** Twice a year, St Bernard is asked to help replenish the food pantry. There will be envelopes in the back to collect donations for the food pantry. Or if you would rather donate an item, they are really needing hygiene or soap products right now.

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**Meals On Wheels Needs Help:** This Nov. is the month for St. Bernard's to assist with Meals On Wheels. They have increased the number of routes. If you are interested in helping, please contact Gary Thornton 785-456-7844.

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**Servers:** Due to the increased numbers of Covid/quarantine cases among the high school students & the recent switch to the hybrid learning, we have decided to hold off on servers for a while. If your children were on the schedule to serve, they are released of that duty. We will let you know when servers can resume. We are trying to be proactive to keep the children & Fr. Mike safe, and limit exposure. Thanks for your understanding!

**BOTH PARISHES**

**Wamego Council of Churches:** Christmas Bureau is accepting applications thru Dec 9 to help those families in USD 320 who are less fortunate and need our help. If you need help this year, and live within USD 320 school district, applications are available at the Wamego Library, the city office or any Wamego church.

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**Soups & Sweets:**

Don't forget Soups & Sweets is this weekend, **November 8.**

o Preorder curbside pick-up available on November 8 from 9:00am-11:00am. Remaining soups and sweets will be sold curbside starting at 11:30am.



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**Holy Family Soup Fundraiser:** Holy Family in Alma is having their Soup Fundraiser on Sunday, November 15. Drive thru pick up from 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Preorder online at <https://tinyurl.com/HolyFamilySoup> or if you have questions please call Pamela Anderson at 785-410-3819. You can also preorder raffle tickets! Preorder deadline is November 9.

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**Community Thanksgiving Dinner:** Sponsored by Wamego Council of Churches will take place drive-thru style at Wamego United Methodist Church. A limited number of meals are available so you will need to reserve yours by Sunday, November 15. You can do so by contacting the Wamego UMC office at 785-456-7495 or [office@wamegoumc.org](mailto:office@wamegoumc.org). If your call isn't answered, very important to leave a message. On Thanksgiving Day, 11:30am-12:30pm you can drive through the covered awning on the east side of Wamego UMC to pick up your meals. If you are homebound a delivery can be arranged.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
- Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10
- Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25
- Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8
- Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

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