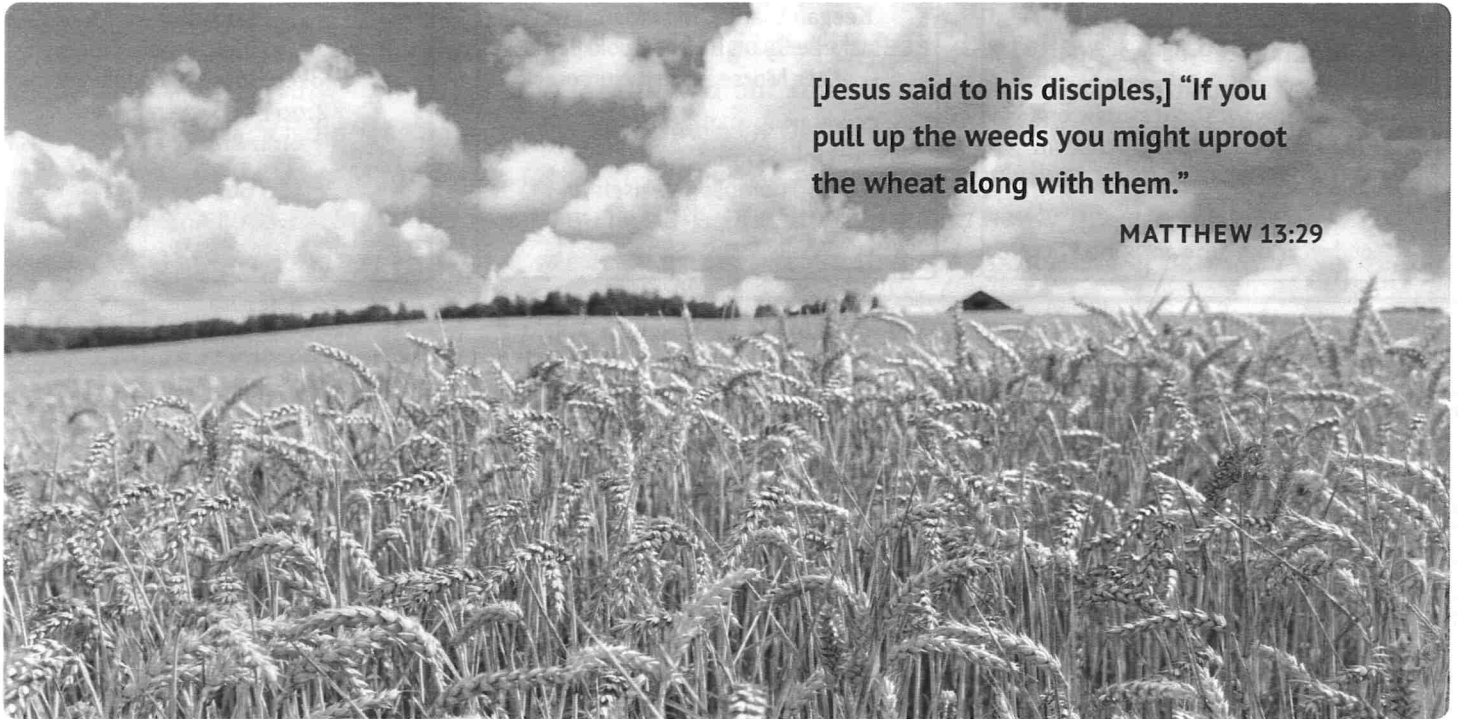




[Jesus said to his disciples,] “If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them.”

MATTHEW 13:29

Weeds in Wheat

MIGUEL DULICK

Jesus loved parables. “He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: ‘I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation [of the world]’” (Matthew 13:34–35).

Indeed, parables spring from creation itself. Wheat and weeds grow, a natural process, just waiting for Jesus to read the kingdom of heaven hidden within. Jesus doesn’t force an interpretation on these elements; he, more than anyone, follows his own advice: “Whoever has ears ought to hear” (Matthew 13:43).

Matthew is the only gospel writer who records this parable. Maybe he liked it because it’s his own story. Among the beautiful wheat of the chosen people, he was an ugly weed, a tax collector for the Roman Empire. Once Jesus plucked him from obscurity to follow him, Matthew might have thought, *Why didn’t God just strike me dead for all the poison I spread among my own brethren?*

Now, in the parable, the weeds never become wheat, and they indeed meet a terrible fate, but the point is to let the wheat and weeds grow together, lest we uproot the wheat when we pull up the weeds. Oftentimes, it’s difficult to tell the difference. Those who are “wheat” should not find excuses to separate from those judged to be “weeds.” The risk is too great for the damage we may do. Let God do the separating in God’s own time. ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

Are you tempted to give up on someone? Or yourself?

**St. Anselm
Anselmo, NE**

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Sargent, NE**

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Broken Bow, NE**

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Linly Schmidt - Anselmo
Jill Thompson - Anselmo
Laura Kipp - Sargent
Molly Ryan - St. Joseph

Weekend Schedule

Saturday
3:00-3:30 PM Reconciliation
Broken Bow *or by appointment*
4:00 PM Broken Bow
6:00 PM Sargent

Sunday
8:30 AM Anselmo
10:30 AM Broken Bow

Events This Week: July 20th - July 26th 2026

Monday **No Mass**
1:30 PM Divine Mercy Cenacle Prayer Group

Tuesday **No Mass**

Wednesday **No Mass**

Thursday 6:30 AM Mens Bible study at Broken Bow
No Mass

Friday **No Mass**

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM Reconciliation at Broken Bow
4:00 PM Mass at Broken Bow
Servers: Jocelyn Wagner & Ben Jilg
6:00 PM Mass at Sargent

Sunday **8:30 AM Mass at Anselmo**
Servers: Trevin & Kaden Klein
10:30 AM Mass at Broken Bow
Servers: Chyann Tibbs & Frederick Fiorelli

Mass Intentions

Ruth Fagan †
People of the Parishes
Ben Gilligan †
Harold "Ike" Haney †

REMINDERS AND NOTICES

Adjusted Office Hours

Keegan will be gone from July 18 - August 16. During this time,
Lance Bristol and Kelli Faltys will be filling in at the office.

**Office Hours from July 20 - August 14 will be 9:00am - 1:00pm,
Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and 11:00am - 1:00pm on Tuesday & Friday**

Contribution Envelope Changes for 2027

Starting in January 2027, we will begin a bi-monthly mailing for contribution envelopes.
Please make sure the Church has your current, correct address before August 31.

We will send out reminder letters in late summer.

Envelopes themselves will not be different except for minor reformatting for mailing.
Envelope numbers will not change unless requested.

MISSION APPEAL - SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

**Fr. Linus Julian Sarte, MF, a priest of the Missionaries of Faith (MF),
will be at all of our July 25/26 weekend Masses to appeal for the needs of the MF
Missions in India, Myanmar, Samoa, The Philippines, and Vietnam, especially for the
education, formation and maintenance of seminarians studying for the religious life
and the priesthood. Please welcome Fr. Linus with generosity in your heart.**

Every penny goes a long way in the missions.

Thank You and God speed!

Stewardship

Last Weekend's Collection

St. Joseph
Regular: \$3,091.35
Peter's Pence: \$102.00
Mission Fund: \$1.00

St. Anselm
Regular: \$1,335.00
Sister Parish: \$5.00
Concrete: \$1,150.00

**Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**
Regular: \$671.00

Diocesan Appeal

St. Joseph
Parish Goal: \$18,446.00
Total Raised: \$19,049.00

St. Anselm
Parish Goal: \$6,799.00
Total Raised: \$6,900.00

**Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**
Parish Goal: \$5,103.00
Total Raised: \$5,262.00

All three of our Parishes have now
completed both their financial and
household goals for the Appeal.

**Thank you very much for
your generosity!**

July 22 is the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene who is known as the "Apostle of the Apostles." Pope Francis in his 2016 decree "Apostolorum apostola" elevated her memorial to a feast day, noting that the elevation "will enable Mary Magdalene to be celebrated liturgically like the rest of the apostles." The decree "calls upon us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of women..." Finally, it states that Mary Magdalene can be seen as "the paradigm of the ministry of women in the Church."

The new preface that accompanies St. Mary Magdalene's feast day reflects her role as Apostle to the Apostles. *"It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, to glorify you in all things, almighty Father, whose mercy is no less than your power, through Christ our Lord. He appeared in the garden and revealed himself to Mary Magdalene, for she had loved him while he was alive, seen him dying on the Cross, sought him as he lay in the tomb, and was the first to adore him newly risen from the dead. He honored her with the task of being Apostle to the Apostles, so that the good news of new life might reach the ends of the earth."*

I encourage you to read the story of Mary's encounter with the risen Jesus at the empty tomb in John 20:11-18. Unfortunately, you will never hear it at a Sunday Mass. In verses 17b-18 she is commissioned by Jesus to preach the Gospel **"go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"** Mary of Magdala went and announced to the disciples, **"I have seen the Lord,"** and what he told her.

With Mary Magdalene, may we also proclaim **"I have seen the Lord"** and share the Good News that has been given to us!

"I AM Joseph your brother!" Genesis 45:4

Ongoing Parish Improvement

St. Anselm's Rectory

Roof and Porch Brick repair

We are currently getting bids for necessary repair

St. Anselm Sidewalk Replacement

Cost \$19,834

Donations \$3,400

Needed \$17,634.

St. Joseph Sidewalk /

Parking Lot Replacement

Cost \$25,914

Donations \$2,190

Needed \$23,724

St. Joseph Playground

Cost \$30,338

Donations \$26,043

Needed \$4,295.

New Parish Website

We have modernized our website and updated it to represent all three of our parishes. You can visit the website by going to www.stjoecatholic.org.

We encourage all parishioners to utilize this resource as we have added many new features. If you have any ideas for improvements to the new site, please contact Keegan in the Parish Office.

Remember in your prayers

Raymond Driscoll, member of St. Joseph,
passed away on July 13, 2026 at age 70

He is survived by his wife Marilyn and sons,
Dennis, David, Stephan, & Ian.

Vigil Service July 21 @ 7 PM at St. Joseph
A Funeral Mass July 22, 2026 @ 10 AM at St.
Joseph Church in Broken Bow.



*May the joy of the Resurrection bring comfort
to those who mourn and hope to all who grieve.*

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Our Parish is subscribed to FORMED

To set up an account, go to formed.org. Sign up with your email, name, and a password, then you can find our parish subscription by typing "St. Joseph". The online learning platform gives instruction on the Sacraments with preparation and enrichment materials for baptism, reconciliation, the Eucharist, and matrimony.

The latest issue of
"Growing in Faith" is now available
on the parish website!

Are You New to Our Churches? Welcome! Please register by stopping by or calling the office in Broken Bow at (308) 872-5809. If possible, introduce yourself to Father Joe after Mass.

Dear Padre,

My former boyfriend died recently. He was very abusive and caused me a lot of pain. Should I pray for him even if I believe that no amount of prayer could help him?

Yes, you should pray for him and, despite your lingering hurt from the relationship, resist the urge to make a judgment about him. This decision is not only a healthy spiritual choice, but it will also help you heal the wounds that you still carry. Praying for him does not mean that you are denying any of the hurt that he inflicted on you but rather that you are capable of maturity and choices that were seemingly beyond his ability. Praying for him really says more about you than it says about him. It is also an act of grace-inspired honesty and faithfulness. It is a statement that you believe wholeheartedly in the merciful and forgiving God who is capable of healing the deepest hurts and is even capable of helping his faithful people ultimately forgive those who have inflicted harm upon them. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

While unity attracts, division scatters....

Therefore, in order to be a truly missionary Church, one that is capable of witnessing to the attractive power of Christ's love, we must first of all put into practice his commandment, the only one he gave us after washing his disciples' feet: "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."



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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

Monday

July 20

Weekday

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8

Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

July 21

Weekday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20

Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday

July 22

St. Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1-4b or

2 Cor 5:14-17

Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday

July 23

Weekday

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8,

12-13

Mt 13:10-17

Friday

July 24

Weekday

Jer 3:14-17

Mt 13:18-23

Saturday

July 25

St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15

Mt 20:20-28

Sunday

July 26

Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12

Rom 8:28-30

Mt 13:44-52

or 13:44-46