

Dear Parishioners of St. Josaphat's,

My name is Jane Maschka, President of St. Josaphat's Council of Catholic Women (CCW).

I am reaching out today to bring attention to the fact that due to lack of help, interest, or volunteerism, our church has not hosted a bazaar for the past two years.

Graciously keep in mind the vital importance of the money collected from our bazaar. It "keeps the lights on," pays the ever-rising insurance costs and helps fund Church facilities, Religious Education for our youth and other activities and repairs that may arise.

Considering this, the CCW is hosting a "No Work Bazaar."

We are asking simply, that you send a tax-deductible check made payable to St. Josaphat's with "Bazaar" in the memo, for the amount you would have spent preparing for and attending the bazaar. Keep in mind the cost and time spent making salads and desserts and the time you and your family would have spent working shifts and buying and selling raffle tickets. The decorated cakes and other gift basket items provided for the Cake Walk, the items donated for the bake sale and the farmer's market, not to mention the money you and your family would have spent to eat that delicious meal!

The CCW realizes that times are changing, everyone is busy, and we all must adjust. But the MOST important thing to never lose sight of, in this ever-changing world, is our Faith and our Church. We NEED St. Josaphat's to exist well into the future for our children and their children.

Your generous donation, regardless of size, plays a crucial role in our ability to maintain the integrity of St. Josaphat's. Please drop your donation marked "Bazaar," in the basket with your weekly offering, in the box provided in the back of church, or send a check to P.O. Box 626, Loup City, NE 68853.

We kindly ask that donations be submitted by November 30.

May God continue to Bless you and your family and St. Josaphat's parish!

Thank you!

Jane Maschka, CCW President