

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## DEC. 12 THRU DEC. 18

Mon.	William Costanzi +	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Rich VanTassell +	6:45 a.m.
Wed.	Loretta DeMarco +	6:45 a.m.
Thur.	Wm & Virginia Meister +	6:45 a.m.
Friday	Fr. Michael Gutsell	6:45 a.m.
Saturday	Stephen Kotlarz +	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	People of St. Joseph	9:00 a.m.



## REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

For the sick: Sally Leyden, Jerry Martin, Wes Erhart, Marjorie Bauman, Frank Riha, Margaret Wilson, Paul Nitsick, Dennis Folkers

Please let us know if a person needs to be removed from our Prayer List.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun., Dec. 11, Discipleship 101, 3 p.m. at Ablaze
- Tues., Dec. 13, WRAP, 5:30 p.m.
- Wed., Dec. 14, RE, 6:15 p.m.



## SATURDAY, DEC. 17 5:00 P.M.

EMHC: Kathleen Pratt  
Lectors: Sharon VanTassell-Mike Fowler  
Deacon: Dave Krueger  
Greeters: Sharon VanTassell-Steve Murphy  
Singers: Tolliver Family-Candy Connery

## SUNDAY DEC. 18, 9:00 A.M.

EMHC: Michelle Gustafson  
Lectors: Teresa Belter-Larry Vacek  
Deacon: Terry Ficenc  
Servers: Easton & Oakley Osborn  
Greeters: Dan Schram-Rod Jeck  
Singers: Gathering Light—Candy Connery

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Living Nativity last Sunday. We had a great turnout, especially with the nice weather.

Next Sunday, we'll decorate the church for Christmas along with donut Sunday. If you are able to help, it would be great to have you for both.

At both Masses next weekend, we will have the Rite of Welcome for those who are to be confirmed this August. This is a formal step to acknowledge their progress in formation. This will be a great time to pray more deliberately for these young people.

Have a great week!

Best,  
Fr. Scott

## OFFERING



### Weekend of Dec. 4, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 6643.00
Building Fund	\$ 525.00
Religious Retirement	\$ 115.00
All Saints	\$ 25.00
Christmas	\$ 50.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 35.00

3rd Annual Heart of a Child Ministries

### Christmas Fine Art Show

St. Wenceslaus Parish Narthex

15353 Pacific Street, Omaha, Ne

Saturday, December 10...After 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, December 11...8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Purchase beautiful Christmas gifts and support of changing the heart

Of the nation by showing the heart of the child. Proceeds help

Support live ultrasound education.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We would like to congratulate Austin and Noel Arens on the baptism of their new daughter, Adelaide. Welcome to our parish family Adelaide.



**COCOA, COOKIES & CAROLING**

Join us on December 17 at 6 p.m. to take a hayride through Springfield and sing some carols to some of our parishioners! We will have cocoa and cookies to help keep your Christmas Spirit up. Bundle up and bring some blankets as we serenade the town of Springfield! Questions contact Ann Kavanaugh 402-679-0659

**ADVENT WRAP**

The parish is holding an Advent WRAP Series during the four weeks of Advent. Everyone is invited to attend all or part of the four nights. Each week we will read Scripture on the events surrounding Jesus' birth and reflect and share within small groups. Advent WRAP will be the Tuesdays of Nov. 29th, Dec. 6th, 13th, and 20th from 5:30-7:00pm in the church social hall. We will share a potluck dinner from 5:30-6:00pm and then work in WRAP small groups from 6:00-7:00pm. If you are interested in attending, or have questions, please call/text Julie Richards at 402-881-2407. She will create a text group of participants. This is a great way to focus on Christmas scripture as well as share your faith (and food) with your parish! Hope to see you there !

*E*ternal Father! I offer Thee the most precious blood of Jesus Christ in atonement for my sins and in supplication for the holy souls in purgatory and for the needs of holy Church. *Pius VII, Sept. 22, 1817)*

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**FROM THE MOUTHS OF KIDS**

Holy Spirit, we pray for all the injured: Eamon Sciba. And anyone injured deep inside..



Thank you to Sara Wyatt and James, Ann, Shawn, Corrine, Joel, Hanna and Abby Kavanaugh for preparing and serving the meal at the Stephen's Center on December 5th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!

**THANK YOU** to all of the wonderful volunteers who made St. Joseph's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Living Nativity a success. We want to share our deepest gratitude to everyone who made it possible, including the actors, traffic shepherds, hot chocolate crew, set-up and clean-up crews, those who donated snacks, the behind-the-scenes workers, parents who brought their children, and those who volunteered their animals' time and work to get them to and from the Nativity. We had a beautiful night! It appeared that everyone helping and driving thru enjoyed the experience. What an excellent way to prepare for

Christmas! Thank you all! Be on the lookout for next year's sign up in the fall.

