

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MARCH 20 THRU MARCH 26

Mon.	Loren & Ellen Griffin	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Steven Kotlarz +	6:45 a.m.
Wed.	Loretta DeMarco +	6:45 a.m.
Thur.	Rev. Rembert Weakland +	6:45 a.m.
Friday	Randy Adler +	6:45 a.m.
Saturday	JoAnn Ostransky +	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

Wed., March 22, RE, 6:15 p.m.
Fri., March 24, Fish Fry, 5 p.m.
Fri., March 24, Stations of the Cross, 5:30 p.m.



SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 5:00 P.M.

EMHC: Kathleen Pratt
Lectors: Lin Kulm-Mike Fowler
Deacon: Dave Krueger
Greeters: Mike Patera-John Cronican
Singers: Junior Choir-Candy Connery

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 9:00 A.M.

EMHC: Jeff Needels
Lectors: Teresa Belter-Joe Boro
Deacon: Terry Ficenecc
Servers: Lauren Reed-Dominick Cacka
Greeters: Ted Boro-Joe Boro
Singers: Emerson Osborn-Annie

JESUS CHRIST'S 7 LAST WORDS

All are invited to attend the presentation of "Jesus' 7 Last Words" as He hung upon the cross on Good Friday, April 5th at the Holy Family Shrine. The presentation, by Deacon Terry Ficenecc, will begin at 12:00 Noon and conclude by 1:30 PM. Enter into the Easter Triduum with a deep reflection on the pious words given by our Savior as He offered Himself up for the sins of mankind. Come for all or some if time permits.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

This week marks the halfway point of Lent. I hope that this time has been fruitful for everyone so far. As we look forward, please note that there will be extra confession times during Holy Week, both on Holy Thursday and Good Friday, in addition to our regular daily times.

I continue to express thanks for the help and attendance at the fish fry. Thanks to everyone!

Finally, Monday is our parish feast day. It's a great day to lighten Lenten practices and to do something a bit special and out of the ordinary.

Best,

Fr. Scott

OFFERING

Weekend of March 12, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 4805.00
Building Fund	\$ 450.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 45.00

K OF C PARISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus council 10894, is celebrating our 30th anniversary of service to St Joseph parish. We will have a dinner for All parishioners in recognition of their support. The dinner will be in the social hall following 5 pm mass. Please sign up for your spot before April 23.

May 6, 2023 , 6-6:45 social hour

Buffet Dinner at 6:45 from Eddie's

Braised beef , Chicken picatta, Herbed new potatoes

Green beans almandine , Tossed lettuce

Beer/Wine

SAVE THE DATE

All women of the parish: Please join us at our parish Women's Mass and brunch at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 1. More details will be coming soon.

Holy Hour for Priests & Seminarians

6:30 PM on March 20 at St. Peter Catholic Church

Join the Serra Club of West Omaha for a beautiful Holy Hour for Priests and Seminarians at St. Peter Catholic Church, 709 S. 28th Street in Omaha, beginning with a reception in the Narthex at 6:30 PM followed by the Holy Hour at 7:00 PM. The Presider will be Father Frank Baumert, Chaplain of the Serra Club of West Omaha. Prayers for our Priests and Seminarians are especially needed as our Archdiocese faces a shortage of priests amid a challenging time for our Catholic Church and our culture at large. We need to support our Priests and Seminarians with fervent and ongoing prayer, now more than ever. Please show your support and invite your family, friends, and guests to join us! If you are interested in helping to build the Church locally through vocations support, contact Bruce Jefferies, Serra VP, at westomaha@serrainternational.org. Learn more at serrawestomaha.org and follow us on Facebook @[serrawestomaha](https://www.facebook.com/serrawestomaha).

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP
SUPPER**

March 17th, 24th, 31st

Stations at 6:30 PM in the Holy Family Shrine

Soup Supper Following in Visitors Center

FISH FRY INFO

Price for Dinner:

Adults \$12.00
Small Children \$5.00
Family \$35.00
Pizza \$1/Slice

Beer \$3 each

Meal includes fried or baked fish or shrimp, fries or scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, slaw and water, tea or lemonade.

Desserts Good Will Donation

**DIAPER DRIVE for NEBRASKA DIAPER DRIVE**

During the month of March, St. Joseph's parish will be collecting donations for the Nebraska Diaper Bank. They are an organization that partners with 25 different agencies in the Heartland to distribute diapers to families in need. They serve over 2,700 children monthly and have given over 3 million diapers. Let's do our part by helping Nebraska Diaper Bank keep their warehouse full.

We will collect DIAPERS OF ALL SIZES!

LIVE LENT TOGETHER

Sunday @ 4:30 p.m.— Men & Women's Group in Louisville @ Chris & Abby Josef's house.

Monday @6:30 p.m. at the home of Trista Welsh

Monday @ 7 p.m.—Men's Group at Parish Rectory

Tuesday @ 6 p.m.—Women's Group in Parish Hall

Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m.—Women's Group @ Julie Nieveen's house

Wednesday @ 7 p.m.—Mixed Group @ Bryan & Michelle Gustafson's house

Thursday @ 7:30 a.m.—Mixed Group in Parish Hall

Thursday @ 7 p.m.—Women's Group in RE building

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ of St. Joseph parish in beautiful Springfield, NE.

Through your parish's bulletin I would like to write a few lines of thanksgiving to you all.

Thank you very much for welcoming me so warmly in your parish community and letting me participate in your spiritual life through Holy Mass, Penance Service and leading the Stations of the Cross.

Having had a share in your parish's Lenten Friday Fish Fry was a special experience for me since I have heard so much about it.

Having been invited to give this year's Lenten Mission Talk on "Preparing to receive the Mercy of Good Friday" was a great honor for me! The positive feedback I got from so many of you gives me courage and contributes to my own spiritual life and preparation for Holy Week.

I would like to especially thank Fr. Scott Hastings for having welcomed me so dearly at his rectory.

As we approach the Fourth Sunday of Lent—Laetare Sunday, Be glad!--I promise you to keep you all in my prayers wishing you a joyful and fruitful preparation for the celebration of the mysteries of our salvation and an even more joyful Easter with the Risen One's joy in your hearts, minds, families and among your friends and neighbors.

Best wishes and greetings from Germany, God bless you all,

Fr. Dominik Urban

SAVE THE DATE

Music bingo and food in the social hall hosted by the parish and the Music Bingo People. This event will be the evening of Saturday, April 29th. More information to come.

Thank you to the 2023 Confirmation Class for helping with the Stephen Center Meal on March 3rd. A special thanks to: Holly Christensen, Jack Boyle, Braxton Nebuda, Harry Amerik,

Will Steenbock and Logan Grossidier for serving. To Beverly Grossidier, Ashley Christensen and Nicole Steenbock for driving and helping to serve and to each of the family's who provided food. Your generosity is appreciated.



LADIES OF THE PARISH

Please remember to return your RSVP for the Women's Mass and Brunch on Saturday, April 1 at 8 a.m. Return your RSVP card to the box on the credenza or email Ann Kavanaugh at cannkava@gmail.com or call her at 402-679-0659.

LENTEN SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

We have 2 different service opportunities for people to take part during Lent. If you would like to sign up to help at either one, please contact Amanda Staroscik at (402)659-3138 or email: staroscikamanda@gmail.com

1. On Saturday, March 25, we are helping the people at Nebraska Diaper Bank sort and bundle diapers at their warehouse on 9090 F. St Warehouse #1 in Omaha from 9:30am -11:30am. Anyone over 12 years of age can help. This service opportunity ties in with our March Charity Drive also because all diapers collected at St. Joseph's will be donated to Nebraska Diaper Bank.
2. On Tuesday, April 4th, from 7:30am - 4:30pm, a group of adult volunteers will meet at the Juan Diego Center in Omaha on Q Street to travel with Catholic Charities to visit one of the poorest regions in the state to prepare food boxes and distribute them to residents.