

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 2023



31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled;
but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

-Matthew 23:12



SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

WELCOME

Welcome to our community! Together, we share a deep love and reverence for God, which we express through our liturgy, prayer, and service. We invite you to join us in experiencing the joy and fulfillment that come from being part of something greater than ourselves.

OUR MISSION

Our parish is a stable Eucharistic group of disciples of Jesus, under the leadership of our pastor, formed within the community to accept the great commission of Jesus, and equipped with the Holy Spirit to witness the Gospel to our neighbors.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY.....	5 p.m.
SUNDAY.....	9 a.m.
MONDAY.....	8 a.m.
TUESDAY-FRIDAY.....	6:45a.m.
FIRST FRIDAY ANOINTING MASS.....	2 p.m.
FIRST SATURDAY MASS.....	8 a.m.
HOLY DAY MASS.....	Check the bulletin

Confessions are 30 minutes before daily Masses and 45 minutes before weekend Masses.

PARISH OFFICE

OFFICE HOURS.....	M W,TH 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
PHONE.....	402.253.2949
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FLOCKNOTE	
TEXT-TO-JOIN.....	text SPRINGFIELD to 84576

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF:

NOVEMBER 6 THRU NOVEMBER 12

Mon.	Louise Greco+	8:00 a.m.
Tues.	Frank Vidmar +	6:45 a.m.
Wed.	Michael Weydert +	6:45 a.m.
Thur.	Riley Briganti +	6:45 a.m.
Fri.	Harold Starks +	6:45 a.m.
Sat.	Jerod Bunnell +	5:00 p.m.
Sun.	People of St. Joseph	9:00 a.m.

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

For the sick: Sally Leyden, Margaret Wilson, Dennis Folkers, Eileen Stock, Brenda Jones, Ricky Becker

Pray also for the homebound, hospitalized and those in nursing homes.

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

LITURGICAL ROLES

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 5:00 P.M.

EMHC: Kathleen Pratt

Lectors: Linda Christensen-Ken Patry

Greeters: Russ & Deb Hoskins

Singers: Brenda Jones-Candy Connery

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 9:00 A.M.

EMHC: Ron Cacka

Lectors: Larry Vacek-Corey Osborn

Servers: Lauren & Mason Reed

Greeters: Justin & Julie Niveen

Singers: Junior Choir-Candy Connery

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Weekend of October 29, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 3548.00
Building Fund	\$ 159.00
World Mission	\$ 225.00
All Souls	\$ 10.00
All Saints	\$ 5.00

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

During this month of November, there are two emphases that the Church gives us. First, we look to the end of the month when we close out the liturgical year. We will have the Feast of Christ the King on the last Sunday of the month. The formal name for the day is "The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe." We use such an exalted title for the day because it closes out this past year, where we have walked through the whole story of our salvation, which Jesus accomplished by His life, death, and resurrection. Before we get to that feast, however, we focus on the second emphasis, namely, the month to remember the dead. Filled with hope and confidence that Jesus is the Savior, and calling to mind all that we have heard over the past year, we commend all the faithful departed to the mercy of God, in hope of the resurrection. Practically speaking, we will have the Book of the Dead at the entry to the church all month, and we will remember them all at Mass until December. Then, once the month is completed, we will start all over again with advent, the first Sunday of December.

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

LADIES' GUILD SOUP SUPPER

The November 18th Soup Supper, Raffle and Silent Auction is from 5:00-7:30pm. Meals include a bowl of soup or chili, a slider or a hot dog, a bottled drink and a dessert for \$10. Ala carte items are also available. A face painter will be set up from 6:15-7:15pm. The silent auction has over 25 items so far and the raffle tables have over 50. Lots of gift cards and new items for young and old. Raffle tickets will be 6 for \$5. Credit/debit cards, cash or check can be used, except for raffle tickets, which cannot be purchased with a credit card per state law.

Pre-order forms for quarts of soup and chili are in this week's bulletin and will be sent digitally to parishioners. Please return by November 15th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 6, Elements of the Mass, RE Room, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, November 7, Ladies' Guild, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 8, RE, 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, November 11, MEN'S Group, Rectory, 7 a.m.

Sunday, November 12, Eucharistic Revival, RE Room, 10:00 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Join Deacon Terry Ficenec as he guides a study using Bishop Robert Baron's book *This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival*. They will meet on Sundays after 9 a.m. Mass from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the RE Building. The next class will be held on Nov. 12th. For a full list of dates, go to our website or check the flyer in the display case. You can come for a couple or all sessions. Books will be provided.

LIVING NATIVITY

It is quickly approaching one of the best times of the year, the Living Nativity. Please help make St. Joseph's Living Nativity a source of spreading the true reason for the season. It will be on Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. For safety reasons, we plan to have two sets of characters so they can rotate due to cold weather. Snacks and warm beverages will be provided to volunteers. Use QR code to get to the sign up.



ADVENT WRAP SERIES

The parish will host 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 28th, Dec 5th, 12th, and 19th 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 can't make it to the potluck part but can make it to the WRAP part, feel free to arrive at 7:00.

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!

THANKSGIVING CHOIR

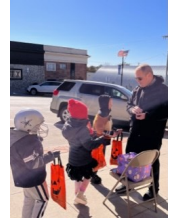
All are invited to sing for a Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00 AM, and the Ecumenical Service to be held on Nov. 30 at 6:00 PM. Let Candy or Fr. Scott know if you will be available for either or both dates.

HELP NEEDED

Want to help with the soup supper in an easy way? Consider donating a \$20 gift card to the Raffle table! Just put it in the Ladies' Guild mailbox or give it to Julie Richards or Lois Dalton.

THANK YOU

Thank you to a fellow parishioner, who chooses to remain anonymous, for supplying all the candy given away at the Annual Elementary School Halloween Parade this past Tuesday. Approximately 400 candy bars were handed out. The picture shows Father Scott greeting the trick or treaters and giving them candy. Many of the kids recognized him and were delighted to see him there.



COATS FOR KIDS

As for the past 15 years, the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus will once again be giving away free winter coats. This project targeted for children whose family may not have the means to purchase new coats for their children.

If you are in need of a coat for your child, or know someone in need, please call Ralph at 402-707-8426. This is strictly a confidential project and is open to any child in the area who may be in need of a winter coat.

OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER

We have a rewarding volunteer opportunity for parishioners! Gather your friends and family and help provide a meal at the Stephen Center. We have 4 dates available in 2024 on January 15th, March 18th, May 20th and December 16th. You would be providing the main course and dessert for up to 150 people. St. Joseph's will reimburse food expenses up to \$300 per month. Dinner is served from 5-6:30 pm and 4-7 volunteers are needed to serve the meal. Children over the age of 5 are welcome to help as long as accompanied by a parent. If you are interested or have questions about what's involved, please contact Angie Iverson, 402-203-0723, da_iverson@yahoo.com or Ann Kavanaugh, 402-679-0659, cannkava@gmail.com. Thank you to all who have already signed up for next year!

OPEN HOUSE

Gross Catholic High School will hold an Open House on November 12, 11—2 p.m. at Gross is located at 7700 S. 43rd St., Bellevue. Please RSVP to grosscatholic.org/news/join-us-at-open-house.

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Deacon Terry & Karen Ficenec
Deacon David & VanNessa Krueger

PARISH GROUPS & MINISTRY LEADERS

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....**Jim Amerine**

FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....**Steve Callicutt**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10984

GRANKNIGHT.....**Kevin Schuster**

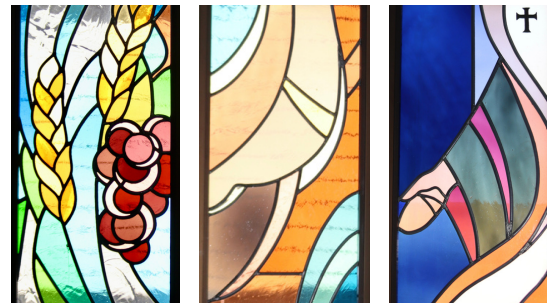
LADIES GUILD PRESIDENT**Deb Hoskins**

MUSIC MINISTRY & YOUTH CHOIR
 COORDINATOR.....**Candy Connery**

YOUTH GROUP LEADER.....**Kelly Johnson & Julie Nieveen**

MONTHLY CHARITY CORNER

During November and December, we will be supporting the efforts of the Knights of Columbus during their Food Drive and the Ladies Guild during the Giving Tree. Thank you for your continued generosity in helping provide for those in need through our monthly charity drives.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Father will hear confessions 30 minutes before daily masses and 45 minutes before weekend masses.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Registered parishioners will need to contact the parish office to schedule a meeting for their baptism class. After the class is complete, you can schedule a date. Baptisms can take place during a weekend mass or after.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Six months of marriage preparation prior to your wedding is required by the Archdiocese. Contact the parish office to schedule your wedding date and marriage instructions.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If you, a relative, or a friend are hospitalized or shut in and would like a visit from the Pastor or Deacon, please call the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every first Wednesday of the month from 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. To sign up for an hour, contact the parish office.

Bulletin announcements need to be into the parish secretary by Tuesday at 8am.