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PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....**Jim Amerine**
 FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....**Steve Callicutt**
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10894
 GRAND KNIGHT.....**Kevin Schuster**
 LADIES GUILD PRESIDENT**Deb Hoskins**
 MUSIC MINISTRY & YOUTH CHOIR
 COORDINATOR.....**Candy Connery**
 YOUTH GROUP LEADERS.....**Kelly Johnson & Julie Nieveen**

Parish Office

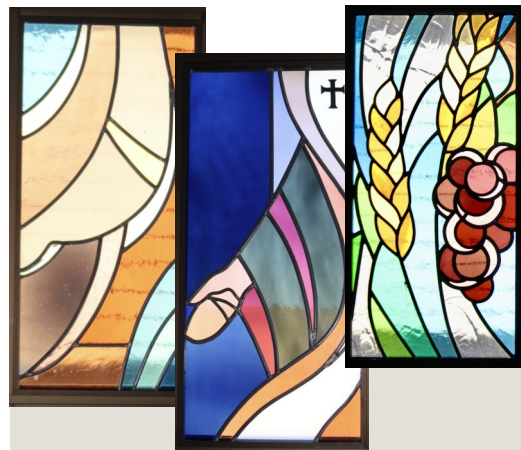
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Monthly Charity Corner

~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild ~

During the month of January, we will be collecting donations to help the ENOA (Eastern Nebraska Office On Aging). The ENOA supports older adults seeking ways to be involved in the community through volunteer programming as well as information and assistance with caregiver support. The items that are most needed are: **Laundry soap (small containers), Dish soap, Hand soap, Hand sanitizer, Disinfectant wipes, Walmart or HyVee gift cards.**

We are grateful for the consistent support and generosity shown. Thank you for your ongoing commitment.



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 instruction.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If you, a relative or 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.

SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

~WELCOME~

Christ was born to save each and every person. We pray that this will be a special time of inspiration and reflection for you. Whether you are new to the area or new to our church, we welcome you to our community.

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY:

5:00p.m.

SUNDAY:

9:00 a.m.

MONDAY:

8:00 a.m.

TUESDAY-FRIDAY:

6:45 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY

ANOINTING MASS:

2:00p.m.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS:

8:00a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Check the bulletin for times

CONFESSIONS:

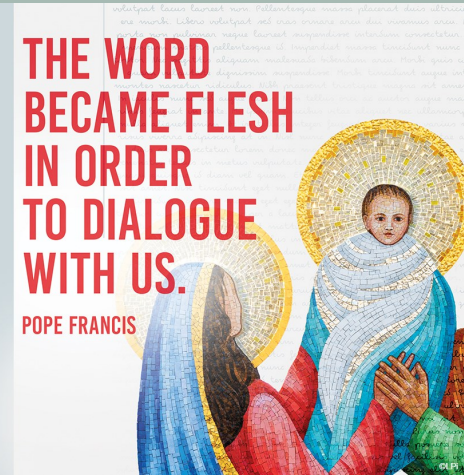
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The Holy Family

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom and the favor of God was upon him.

-Luke 2:40



Remember in our Prayers

Let us pray for Margaret Wilson, Eileen Stock, Ricky Becker, and Brenda Jones. Pray also for all our parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized, and in nursing homes.

"Heal me, Lord, and I'll be healed. Save me and I'll be saved, for You are my heart's desire."

—Jeremiah 17:14-15

Weekly Collections

Weekend of the 24th & Christmas

Offertory:	\$4,933
Christmas:	\$5,955
Priest Retirement:	\$50
Building Fund:	\$405
Immaculate Conception:	\$30

Bulletin Submissions

If you would like to submit an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please send it to bulletin@stjosephspringfield.org by Monday at 8a.m.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

As we come to the close of this year, we have much to be thankful for in our growing community. I hope that 2024 gets off to a great start for each of you!

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this Christmas season bright, especially to all who helped to decorate the church and all who gave the gift of music over the Christmas weekend.

Have a great week and great new year!

Best,
Fr. Scott

Mass Intentions

SUN 12/31	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
MON 1/1	8:00 a.m.	+	Becki Lefler
TUE 1/2	6:45 a.m.	+	Harold Starks
WED 1/3	6:45 a.m.	+	David Boro
TH 1/4	6:45 a.m.	+	Frank Vidmar
FRI 1/5	6:45 a.m.	+	Riley Briganti
	2:00p.m.		Priest's Intention
SAT 1/6	8:00a.m.	+	Fr. Stephen Gutsell
	5:00 p.m.	+	Rich VanTassell
SUN 1/7	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph

Liturgy Ministers

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6th	SUNDAY, JANUARY 7th
Lectors: Marla Kildow Mike Fowler	Lectors: Amy Krance-Wendt Jeff Needels
EMHC: Laurie Fowler	EMHC: Jeff Needels
Greeters: Scott & Jane Ferrin	Greeters: Nathan & Amanda Staroscik
Singers: Amy Krance-Wendt	Singers: Emerson Osborn Annie Zimmer
	Altar Servers: Liam Sciba Dominic Cacka

If you are interested in serving as a lector, EMHC, greeter or altar server at St. Joseph's, please contact the parish office.

70+ January Birthdays		
Mary Mines	3rd	Galen Klenda 14th
Frank Kolar	5th	Ce Ce Kastens 14th
Bart Rath	8th	Candy Connery 17th
Rita Munnely	12th	Jan Redding 26th
Frank Novotny	12th	Marlene Werner 26th
Claudia Burchard	12th	Dave Kulm 27th
		Vickie Hartz 28th
		David Grossman 31st

Parish Events and Formation

- **Tuesday, January 2nd** | 7p.m. | Knights of Columbus Meeting
- **Wednesday, January 3rd** | 7a.m. - 8p.m. | Eucharistic Adoration
| NO Religious Education Classes
- **Friday, January 5th** | 2p.m. | Anointing Mass
- **Saturday, January 6th** | 8a.m. | First Saturday Mass

Small Group Leaders Meeting

Father Scott will be conducting a training session for individuals interested in leading a small group during Lent. The session will be held on **Wednesday, January 17th from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.** If you are interested in leading a small group, please contact Amanda Staroscik by email at staroscikamanda@gmail.com.

ENOA Program

On **Saturday, January 20th**, Diane Stanton and Mary Ann Eusebio from the Eastern Nebraska Offices on Aging(ENOA) will be at St. Joseph's to provide a brief program about the available services for older adults in their five-county area. The program will take place from **3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.** in the parish hall. Additionally, an ENOA resource table will be available to individuals after both weekend masses. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Safe Environment Training

Are you looking for opportunities to lend a helping hand at our Fish Fries or join in the fun at the Sarpy County Fair food booth this summer? Just a quick heads up - if you're an adult, you'll need to be Safe Environment certified by the Archdiocese of Omaha to volunteer at any of our parish events. St. Joseph parish will be holding a training session on **Sunday, January 28th from 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.** in the parish hall. Go to <https://cmgconnect.org/> to register.

Nebraska Diaper Bank

On **Saturday, January 27th from 9:30a.m. to 11a.m.**, parishioners from St. Joseph are invited to volunteer their time to help sort and bundle diapers at the Nebraska Diaper Bank on 9th and F Street. The Nebraska Diaper bank partners with multiple charities and organizations to provide diapers to those in need throughout the state. If you wish to participate, kindly contact Amanda Staroscik by email at staroscikamanda@gmail.com to sign up.

NEW Parish Directory Help

We are in need of 6 volunteers who can assist us before and after both weekend masses on January 20th and 21st. Your role will be to help our parishioners check their information that will be included in the directory. Kindly contact Amanda Staroscik via email at staroscikamanda@gmail.com if you are willing to lend a helping hand.



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

Abraham and Sarah relied on their faith in the Lord as they struggled with family matters. When have you needed to rely on faith when it comes to your family?

Second Reading

Hebrews teaches us that at every challenge in his life, Abraham consistently trusted and obeyed God. When have you had to surrender complete trust to God?

Gospel Reading

In their purification ritual in the Jerusalem Temple, Mary and Joseph learn news from Simeon and Anna about their newborn baby, Jesus. In your family, how do you deal with startling or unsettling news?