



# SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

## ~WELCOME~

Welcome to our community! Together we share a deep love and reverence for God, which we express through 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.

## 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:

30 minutes before daily Masses and 45 minutes before weekend Masses



## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God."

- John 1:35

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

This week, things are back on our regular schedule. This month, we'll begin work on our new parish pictorial directory, so please look for more information that will be coming soon. The reason for the directory is that we have a large number of new faces since our most recent directory. Then, we'll also be able to update the directory more regularly, going forward.

I hope that your new year is off to a great start!

Best,

Fr. Scott

## Mass Intentions

<b>SUN 1/14</b>	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
<b>MON 1/15</b>	8:00 a.m.	+	Steven Kotlarz
<b>TUE 1/16</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Harold Starks
<b>WED 1/17</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	David Boro
<b>TH 1/18</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Rich VanTassell
<b>FRI 1/19</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Frank Vidmar
<b>SAT 1/20</b>	5:00 p.m.	+	Steven Kotlarz
<b>SUN 1/21</b>	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph

If you would like to schedule a Mass for the intention for someone special, contact the parish office. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

## Liturgy Ministers

<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th</b>	<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 12th</b>
<b>Lectors:</b> Sharon VanTassell Ken Patry	<b>Lectors:</b> Teresa Belter Lin Kulm
<b>EMHC:</b> Leigh Ann Amerine	<b>EMHC:</b> Corey Osborn
<b>Greeters:</b> Shawn Kavanaugh Kathleen Pratt	<b>Greeters:</b> Donna Devine & Corey Osborn
<b>Singers:</b>	<b>Singers:</b>
	<b>Altar Servers:</b> 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.

## Saint of the Week



St. Juliana of Cornillon fell in love with Christ in the Eucharist while at the convent. She regularly attended Mass, spent hours in adoration, and had mystical visions during her prayers. She was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1869 and remembered for her contribution to establishing the Feast of Corpus Christi.



## 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 17:145

## Weekly Collections

Weekend of the December 31st

Offertory:	\$3,705.00
Christmas:	\$40.00
Building Fund:	\$760.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$180.00
Seminary:	\$280.00

## Bulletin Submissions

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

## Parish Events and Formation

- **Monday, Jan. 15th** | Stephen Center Meal
- **Wednesday, Jan. 17th** | 1p.m. - 3p.m. | Senior Game Day  
| 6:15p.m. - 7:30p.m. | RE Classes  
| 6:15p.m. - 7:15p.m. | LLT Small Group Leaders Meeting
- **Saturday, Jan. 20th** | New Parish Directory Picture Day 30 minutes before and after Mass
- **Sunday, Jan. 21st** | Donut Sunday after 9a.m. Mass / New Picture Directory 30 minutes before and after Mass
- **Sunday, Jan. 21st** | Knights/Ladies' Guild Holiday Party: Happy Hour at 5:30p.m./dinner at 6:15 p.m.

### NEW Parish Directory Picture Day

Mark your calendar for **Jan. 20th and 21st** to get your family picture taken for the new parish directory. We will be taking them before and after both weekend masses. We will have another opportunity to get your family photo taken in February. There is will more information later. If you would like to send a family photo to us instead, kindly sent it to [stjosephdirectory2024@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephdirectory2024@gmail.com)

### 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](mailto:staroscikamanda@gmail.com).

### Nebraska Diaper Bank Service Opportunity

Attention St. Joseph parishioners! You are invited to participate in a service opportunity at the Nebraska Diaper Bank on Saturday, January 27th from 9:30am to 11am. If you are available, please bring a friend, your child, or spouse to join you in this great cause. We will be meeting at the warehouse at 9:15am. During the event, we will be wrapping and packing diaper orders for distribution. To let Amanda Staroscik know that you plan on volunteering, please send an email to [staroscikamanda@gmail.com](mailto:staroscikamanda@gmail.com).

### Eastern Nebraska Offices on Aging (ENOA) Program

Please take note that the ENOA program which was originally scheduled for Saturday, January 20th, has been cancelled due to the expected freezing temperatures on that day. The program will be rescheduled in the spring. However, MaryAnn Eusebio from the ENOA will still be present at St. Joseph's, and will set up a resource table in the parish hall to provide information about available services and programs for caregivers and older individuals. You are welcome to stop by from before mass on Saturday evening and after mass on Sunday morning to ask any questions or gather information.

Teresa Starks and Angie Carlson would like to express their gratitude to everyone who helped with taking down the Christmas decorations. With so many helpers, we were finished in 27 minutes.



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

In the Lord's call to Samuel, Eli teaches Samuel the importance of "listening" to God's voice. Can you name something you have heard from the Lord.

#### Second Reading

Paul saw our physical bodies as temple of the Holy Spirit, destined to be raised after death just as Jesus was raised from the dead. What are some ways to treat your body with reverence and respect?

#### Gospel Reading

In John's account of the call of the first disciples, we hear the first words Jesus speaks in the Gospel of John: "What are you looking for?" How can you convince family or friends that Jesus is what we all should be looking for?





## Safe Environment Training

Want to help with St. Joseph's Religious Education program as a sub? Looking for opportunities to lend a helping hand at our Fish Fries, Soup Supper 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.

## Knights of Columbus/Ladies Guild SENIOR Scholarship Application

The St. Joseph Catholic Church Knights of Columbus and Ladies Guild offers scholarships to graduating high school seniors and home school students. Scholarships are rewarded based on service to St. Joseph, as well as activities and leadership in the church, school and community. Applications can be downloaded online at [www.stjosephspringfield.org](http://www.stjosephspringfield.org) or in the narthex. Return your typed and signed application to the Knights of Columbus mailbox by 10 a.m. on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024. Contact Kevin Schuster at [kevin.schuster@ymail.com](mailto:kevin.schuster@ymail.com) with questions.

## Knight of Columbus Free-throw Contest

The St. Joseph Council 10894 will host its annual Free Throw Shooting Contest on **Friday, Jan. 26 at Springfield Elementary School at 7 p.m.** The competition is open to boys and girls ages 9-14. Registration is free and starts at 6:45pm in the gym. Age group winners will receive a basketball and advance to the district competition in February.

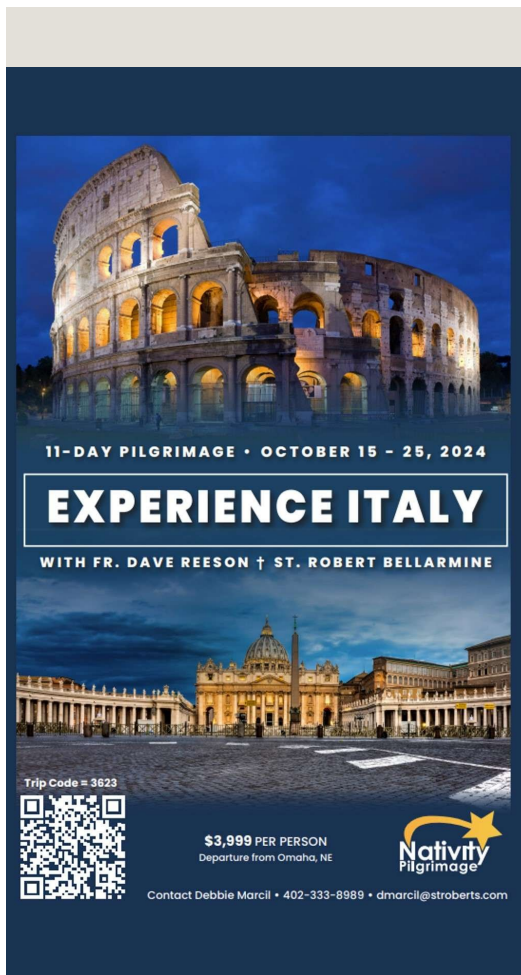
## St. Patrick's in Gretna 2024-2025 Preschool Registration

Mark your calendars! Registration for the 2024-2025 preschool year will begin on Monday, February 5th for all current families and parishioners of St. Patrick, St. Charles-Borromeo, and St. Joseph. Registration will open on Monday, February 19th to the community. Go to [stpatricksgretna.org](http://stpatricksgretna.org) and register for your preferred class. Contact Amanda Scardina at 402-332-3050 with any questions.

## Young Adult Outreach Program

The St. Joseph's Ladies Guild initiated a new program this fall called the Young Adult Outreach Program. As a part of this program, care packages and Christmas cards are sent to the young adults of our parish. We are looking forward to adding more young adults this spring and extending our support to them. If you have any young adults in your family who are in college, military, or working, we would love to get their name and address to send them a care package and a card. Also, if any of the young adults who are already a part of the program have changed their address this semester, please let us know. To provide the necessary information, please reach out to Julie Nieveen at [julie.nieveen@gmail.com](mailto:julie.nieveen@gmail.com), or call 402-689-0209.





11-DAY PILGRIMAGE • OCTOBER 15 - 25, 2024

## EXPERIENCE ITALY

WITH FR. DAVE REESON † ST. ROBERT BELLARMINI

Trip Code = 3623

**\$3,999 PER PERSON**  
Departure from Omaha, NE

Contact Debbie Marcell • 402-333-8989 • dmarcell@stroberts.com

Nativity Pilgrimage

## EXPERIENCE THE HEALING POWER OF GOD'S LOVE!

FRI, JAN 19 | ST GERALD CHURCH, 9602 Q STREET

Do you crave greater joy, freedom, and healing from the burdens that weigh you down? Start 2024 with an experience of God's healing and powerful love in this night of inspirational worship, preaching, and healing prayer.

**7:00 PM - PRAISE & WORSHIP LED BY FR. MICHAEL VOITHOFER & ABLAZE MUSIC**

**7:30 PM - HEALING SERVICE LED BY FR. MARK NOLTE**

"The Kingdom of God is not a matter of talk, but of power." 1 Corinthians 4:20

## KNOW YOUR FAITH - The Gospel of John

Join Evangelium Institute's Deacon Peter Kennedy on **Mondays starting January 8 from 7 PM to 8:30 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (5419 N 114th St, Omaha)**, as he takes a deep dive into The Gospel of John. This course will begin with an introduction to the gospel and various key themes. We will then take time to look at certain passages in greater depth: the Prologue, the Wedding at Cana, Nicodemus, the Woman at the Well, the Raising of Lazarus, and the Washing of the Feet among others. We will discover why some scholars call this, "the Gospel of Divine Intimacy." Don't miss out—register today at [www.eicatholic.org/know-your-faith](http://www.eicatholic.org/know-your-faith).

## ALPHA @ St. Columbkille Parish Mondays Starting Jan 15th– Mar. 25th

Alpha is a journey of exploration that invites you to dive deeper into the Christian faith. Through eleven (11) sessions and a retreat, you'll have the chance to explore different questions about faith and connect with others over a shared meal. Each session includes a short video and a small group conversation where you can share your thoughts and experiences. By participating in Alpha, you'll discover a sense of community and the opportunity to encounter Jesus. To join this inspiring journey, complete the form below or contact Marlo Monico via email at [alpha@mystc.org](mailto:alpha@mystc.org) or by phone at (402) 740-3880.

## Living Well with Diabetes @ St. Wenceslaus

Are you living with diabetes, pre-diabetes, or a caretaker for someone with diabetes? Would you like to learn more on how to better manage it? St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church will be holding 4 opportunities to attend a class: **January 9th, 16th, 23rd, or 30th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.** Topics include fitness, nutrition, coping with emotions, communication, decision making, and problem solving. If you have any questions or would like to register for one of the classes, kindly contact Joan Mack at [parishnurse@stwenceslaus.org](mailto:parishnurse@stwenceslaus.org) or (402) 697-7514.

## 3-Day Silent Ignatian Retreat

Come away to the quiet and be present to what God wants to offer you. Creighton University Retreat Center, located one hour east of Omaha in Griswold, IA is offering 3 Day Silent Directed Retreats. Retreats begin 6 p.m. supper the first day and end at 3 p.m. the last day. The cost is \$375 for room, meals and one-on-one spiritual direction sessions. Choose one from these available dates:

Thurs-Sun **Jan 18-21, 2024**

Thurs-Sun **Mar 21-24, 2024**

Thurs-Sun **May 2-5, 2024**

Sun-Wed **July 14-17, 2024**

To register go to [creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats](http://creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats). For questions, please call 712.778.2466 or email [curc@creighton.edu](mailto:curc@creighton.edu).



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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 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

OFFICE HOURS.....M,W,TH 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
 PHONE.....402.253.2949  
 EMAIL.....info@stjosephspringfield.org  
 FLOCKNOTE TEXT-TO-JOIN.....SPRINGFLED to 84576  
 FACEBOOK.....facebook.com/stjosf

## 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 and 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.