

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 website or bulletin for times

CONFESSIONS:

30 minutes before daily Masses and 45 minutes before weekend Masses



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." -John 12:23-24

NEW Parish Directory Pictures



The last chance to get your family photo taken this **weekend**. If you can't make it, kindly send a family photo to stjosephdirectory2024@gmail.com. Don't forget to verify your contact information that will be in the directory also!

What is the appropriate way to discard blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday?

1. Bring them to church and place in basket in the narthex.
2. Bury them outside
3. Burn them

Remember in our Prayers

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

Weekly Collections

Weekend of March 2nd/3rd	
Offertory.....	\$2,258.00
Building Fund.....	\$515.00
Catholic Relief.....	\$810.00
Black & Indian Mission.....	\$40.00

Bulletin Submissions

If you would like to submit an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please send it to bulletin@stjosephspringfield.org by Monday at 8:00 a.m.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Next weekend, we'll enter into Passiontide. These are the last two weeks before Easter, and they include the week before Holy Week and Holy Week. Starting next weekend, you'll see the images in the church covered with violet cloth, as we prepare for the barrenness of Good Friday and then the radiance of Easter.

Also, starting this weekend, we'll have signups available for ministers for Holy Week in the entryway.

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

Liturgy Ministers

SATURDAY, March 23rd

Lectors: John Cronican
Shawn Kavanaugh
EMHC: Ted Boro
Greeters: Shawn Kavanaugh
Kathleen Pratt
Singers: Junior Choir

SUNDAY, March 24th

Lectors: Jeff Needles
Larry Vacek
EMHC: Corey Osborn
Greeters: Staroscik Family
Singers: Ralph & Co
Altar Servers: Lauren & Mason Reed

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

Mass Intentions

SUN 3/17	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
MON 3/18	8:00 a.m.	+	Mary Bayz
TUE 3/19	6:45 a.m.	+	Steven Koltarz
WED 3/20	6:45 a.m.	+	Harold Starks
TH 3/21	6:45 a.m.	+	Bud Burchard
FRI 3/22	6:45 a.m.	+	Loretta DeMarco
SAT 3/23	5:00 p.m.	+	Jerod Bunnell
SUN 3/24	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.

Holy Week

SACRED TRIDUUM
MARCH 28TH - MARCH 31ST

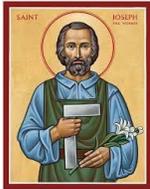
SCHEDULE

<i>Holy Thursday</i>	7PM	Mass of the Lord's Last Supper -Adoration and Confessions to follow
<i>Good Friday</i>	3PM 7PM	Stations of the Cross and Confession Passion -Confessions to follow
<i>Holy Saturday</i>	8:30PM	Solemn Mass of the Easter Vigil -Mass begins outside with the Easter Fire
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	9AM	Mass

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Parish Events and Formation

- **Sunday, Mar. 17th** | 10am | *The Eucharist is Really Jesus* Book study with Deacon Terry in the large RE room
- **Tuesday, Mar. 19th** | 6:30pm | Finance Committee Meeting
- **Wednesday, Mar. 20th** | 1pm | Senior Game Day
| 6:15pm - 7:30pm | RE classes
- **Friday, Mar. 22nd** | 5pm - 7:30pm | Fish Fry
| 5:30pm | Stations of the Cross
- **Sunday, Mar. 24th** | 10am - 11:30am | Discernment meeting Part 4



Saint Joseph's Feast Day Celebration

All are invited to come celebrate our church's patron saint, Saint Joseph, on **Sunday, March 17th at Donut Sunday**. We will have our regular spread of donuts, fruit, and yogurt as well as biscuits and gravy. In the spirit of Saint Joseph's profession, we will have raffles for Home Depot gift cards and children's building kits.

Live LENT Together

Don't go at it alone when you can *Live Lent TOGETHER!* Come and grow closer to Jesus this Lent with fellow parishioners and friends! We have groups meeting on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at a variety of times. If you are interested in joining a group, contact Amanda Staroscik at staroscikamanda@gmail.com.

Work of Mercy Ministry : Service Opportunity

Its not too late to add something new to your Lenten routine. Join fellow parishioners on **Saturday, March 23rd** from 9:30am - 11:30am at the Nebraska Diaper Bank on 90th & F St., where volunteers will help sort and bundle diapers. If you would like to help out contact Amanda Staroscik at staroscikamanda@gmail.com.

Stephen Center Meals: 3rd Monday of every month

We still need a group of people to prepare and serve dinner at the Stephen Center on **Monday, May 20th**. The parish will reimburse food expenses up to \$300. Please contact Angie Iverson at 402-203-0723 or Ann Kavanaugh at 402-679-0659 if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

Family Music Bingo | Saturday, April 13th

Join us for a night full of good music, food/drinks and PRIZES ! This is an **ALL AGES**, free will donation event with all proceeds going to St. Joseph's Youth Group. Doors will open at 6PM with Music Bingo starting at 6:45PM. More information on the flyer. Any questions, contact Amanda Staroscik at staroscikamanda@gmail.com.

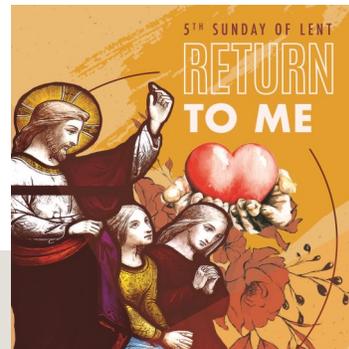


The Eucharist is Really Jesus by Joe Heschmeyer

Deacon Terry will be leading a book study on Joe Heschmeyer's book about the transformation that occurs within us when we truly recognize Jesus in the bread of the Holy Eucharist. You can sign up for the study and grab a book in the narthex. The classes will begin this Sunday, March 17th at 10am in the large RE room. If you have any questions about the study, feel free to contact Deacon Terry at 402-677-5643.

St. Joseph's FISH FRY: March 22nd

Our last Fish Fry is next Friday, March 22nd. We will start serving food **5 PM and end at 7:30 PM**. Beer will be available for purchase. The menu options include breaded baked or fried fish, shrimp, fries, pizza, Mac N Cheese, baked potatoes, coleslaw, green beans, and bread. Don't miss out on the delicious desserts and the soft-served ice cream! See you there!



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

Through the prophet Jeremiah, God promised Israel "a new covenant": the Lord's law will be written in our hearts and known be all who believe. Do you know people who seem to have a heart-felt faith?

Second Reading

Hebrews teaches us that Jesus struggled with his own impending suffering and death. During this Lenten season, what has been a struggle for you?

Gospel Reading

Jesus taught that through his own suffering and death, he would drive out the "ruler of this world" (Satan) and draw everyone to himself. In what ways are you draw to Christ?

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Deacon Terry & Karen Ficenc
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

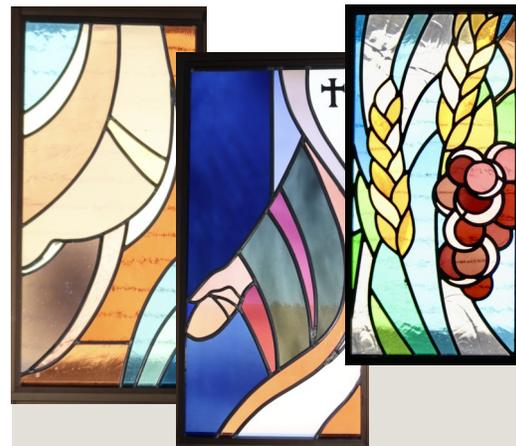
OFFICE HOURS.....M,W,TH 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
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Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit

St. Joseph’s will host the Vatican-approved international Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit. The Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit is a traveling display that features 39 beautiful panels highlighting some of the most powerful Eucharistic miracles in the world. Panels will be displayed in the gathering space between the RE building and the parish hall during the week. For more information, visit spiritcatholicradio.com/miracles.

Monthly Charity Drive

Our Monthly Charity Drives, sponsored by the Ladies Guild, will resume in April. More information will be available in the upcoming bulletins. Thank you for your donations and support in helping our neighbors.



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.