



# 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



## Easter Sunday

# The Resurrection of the Lord

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

- John 20:5-7

## NEW Parish Directory



We are in the final stages of gathering pictures and information for our new directory. If you were not able to get your picture taken or have not emailed it yet, kindly send it to [stjosephdirectory2024@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephdirectory2024@gmail.com).

If you have not yet verified your contact information for the directory, please do so by scanning the QR code and filling out the online Google form.



## 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.

The Easter Candle was donated to St. Joseph's Church in memory of Steven Kotlarz. "Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen"

## Greeting Cards

Free greeting cards with religious sentiment for Baptism, First Communion, Graduation, and Confirmation are available at the parish office. Please see Sharon VanTassell to get one.

## Weekly Collections

Weekend of March 23rd/24th  
 Offertory.....\$4,670.00  
 Building Fund.....\$525.00  
 Catholic Relief.....\$10.00  
 Easter.....\$100.00

## 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 8:00 a.m.

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Happy Easter! He has arisen as He promised! I hope that this weekend is a wonderful celebration for you and yours. Be sure to live it up a little bit and enjoy the festivities!

With Easter Joy,  
 Fr. Scott

## Discernment Process

As we move forward with our discernment sessions, it is important to recap what we have come to already. During the first two sessions, we identified several areas where we have the potential for growth. These areas were discussed and deliberated upon by all participants. In our third session, we voted on which of these areas should be our primary focus. The results are as follows: **158** - Spiritual Growth/Transformation, **129** - Develop Ministries/Cultivating Leaders, **77** - Religious Education & Space, **66** - Service/Community Outreach, **57** - Maintaining the Small Town/Family feel, **49** - Evangelizing/Inviting, **49** - Welcoming/Accepting Others, **38** - Sunday Experience, **4** - Marketing.

In our fourth session on **Sunday, April 7th at 10am**, we will dive deeper into those areas that received the most votes. We will explore the challenges and opportunities in these areas and come up with actionable steps. Please join us as we continue to ask the Holy Spirit to guide us during this process.

## Liturgy Ministers

	Saturday, 4/6 @ 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, 4/7 @ 9:00 a.m.
<b>Greeters:</b>	Dave Jones & Jeff Kreifels	Donna Devine & Kathy Irvin
<b>Lector:</b>	Marla Kildow Mike Fowler	Amy Krance-Wendt Corey Osborn
<b>EMHC:</b>	Laurie Fowler	Jeff Needels
<b>Singers:</b>	Brenda, Kathy & Candy	Amy Krance-Wendt
<b>Altar Server:</b>		Peter & Thomas Sciba

## Mass Intentions

<b>SUN 3/31</b>	9:00 a.m.	People of St. Joseph
<b>MON 4/1</b>	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
<b>TUE 4/2</b>	6:45 a.m.	Communion Service
<b>WED 4/3</b>	6:45 a.m.	Communion Service
<b>TH 4/4</b>	6:45 a.m.	Communion Service
<b>FRI 4/5</b>	6:45 a.m.	Communion Service
	2:00 p.m.	Priest's Intention
<b>SAT 4/6</b>	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	5:00 p.m.	+ Rich VanTassell
<b>SUN 4/7</b>	9:00 a.m.	People of St. Joseph

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

## CRS Rice Bowl and old Palms

Baskets have been placed beneath the stainless window of St. Joseph to collect the CRS Lenten rice bowls and old palms. If you have blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday, you need to discard them appropriately. You can either bury them outside, burn them, or bring them back to the



## Parish Events and Formation

- **Tuesday, April 2nd** | 7 p.m. | Knights of Columbus monthly meeting (Rosary at 6:30pm in the sanctuary)
- **Wednesday, April 3rd** | 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Eucharistic Adoration
- | 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | Religious Education Classes (K-6th)
- | 7:30 p.m. | Easter Egg Hunt on the rectory lawn
- **Friday, April 5th** | 2:00 p.m. | Anointing Mass with Fr. Frank Baumert
- **Saturday, April 6th** | 7:15 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with communion service to follow
- **Sunday, April 7th** | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Discernment Meeting
- **Tuesday, April 9th** | 7:00 p.m. | Ladies Guild monthly meeting (All women of the parish are invited!)
- **Wednesday, April 10th** | 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | Special Discernment Meeting for parents with kids in Religious Ed. and younger

### Easter Egg Hunt | Wednesday, April 3rd @ 7:30pm

The Knight of Columbus will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday, April 3rd after religious education classes. All children are invited to participate and hunt for candy-filled eggs on the lawn around the rectory.



### 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. There will be hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, candy, and beverages (water, pop, beer, & seltzers) available for purchase. Doors will open at 6PM with Music Bingo starting at 6:45PM. RSVP by scanning the QR code and filling out the form. 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. The first session was March 17th but you can still join them. The next session will be **Sunday, April 14th 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.

### Vacation Bible School | June 24th-28th

VBS is coming to St. Joseph's June 24th-28th and will run from 1:30pm-4:30pm each day. Kids, 4 years old to 6th grade, can come and enjoy a week long adventure growing deeper in love with Jesus. To register kids for VBS, go to our website [www.stjosephspringfield.org](http://www.stjosephspringfield.org), print and fill out the registration form. Please return the registration form and payments to the RE office. To help, click the "Volunteer" button on the VBS page. For more information, please email Sherry at shuntwork@msn.com.



### SAVE THE DATE!

#### Steeplechase | Saturday, JUNE 8th

St. Joseph's will host a fun run/walk as part of the annual Springfield Days event this summer. The race is scheduled for Saturday, June 8th, and is open to all. Participants can bring a friend, a stroller, or their ear pods and take part in this exciting race. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the First United Methodist Food Pantry. Registrations will start soon, so make sure to mark your calendars and join us for this charitable event.



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

In the speech, Peter places much emphasis on his personal witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. To whom this week could you witness your faith in the resurrection of Jesus?

#### Second Reading

Paul taught the believers in Colosse to anticipate the return of the resurrected Jesus. How does your family celebrate Easter Sunday?

#### Gospel Reading

Mary Magdala, Peter, and the Beloved Disciple were the first to experience the joy and mystery of the empty tomb. Do you recall when you first started believing in the resurrection of Jesus?

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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.  
 PHONE.....402.253.2949  
 EMAIL.....info@stjosephspringfield.org  
 FLOCKNOTE TEXT-TO-JOIN.....SPRINGFIELD to 84576  
 FACEBOOK.....facebook.com/stjosf

### Monthly Charity Drive

~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild~

In the month of April, we will be collecting diapers for the Nebraska Diaper Bank. The organization collaborates with various agencies and organizations in Omaha and across Nebraska to provide diapers to families in need. They will accept diapers of any size.. Drop off your diaper donations in the charity corner in the narthex. If you would like to make a monetary donation directly, scan the QR codes.

**DONATE TODAY!**



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### 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.