

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.

~Rooted in Faith
Grounded in
Community~

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY.....5PM
SUNDAY.....7AM & 9AM
MONDAY.....8AM
TUES.-FRI..... 6:45AM
FIRST FRIDAY
ANOINTING MASS..2PM
FIRST SATURDAY
MASS.....8AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:
Thursday, August 15th -
Assumption of Mary
6:45AM/5:30PM

CONFESSIONS:
30 minutes before daily
Masses and 45 minutes
before weekend Masses



NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

“I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die.”

John 6:48-50

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

With another fair in the books, summer is almost over. Thanks to everyone who helped with the fair booth!

As the next academic year gears up, we can especially use help with volunteers for religious education, as catechists and classroom aides. If interested, please contact Sherry Huntwork.

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

Holy Day of Obligation—Assumption of Mary

Mass will be celebrated at 6:45AM and 5:30PM on Thursday, August 15th for the Assumption of Mary, which is a holy day of obligation.

Saint of the Week

Servant of God Darwin Romas, a poor Filipino boy, died from muscular dystrophy at the age of 17. Never brought low by the disease, he spoke of his illness as his "mission for Jesus." Many were blessed by his smile and compassionate friendship. He was known as the Master of Joy.



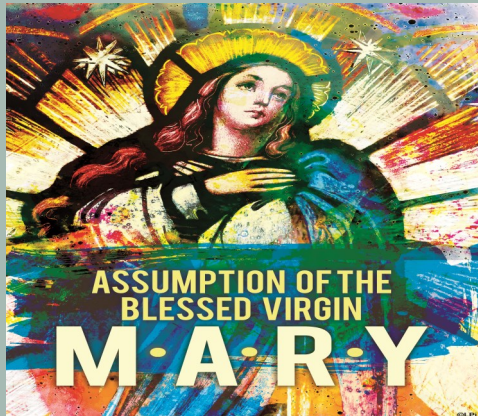
Mass Intentions

SUN 8/11	7:00a.m.	+	People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.		Allen Kreifels
MON 8/12	8:00 a.m.	+	Iris & Dudley Kotlarz
TUE 8/13	6:45 a.m.	+	Doris Royal
WED 8/14	6:45 a.m.	+	Sally Arens
TH 8/15	6:45 a.m.	+	Rich VanTassell
	5:30 p.m.		Priest Intention
FRI 8/16	6:45 a.m.	+	Frank Vidmar
SAT 8/17	5:00 p.m.	+	Harold Starks

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

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 July Aug 3rd/4th

- Offertory.....\$5395.00
- Building Fund.....\$475.00
- Assumption.....\$15.00

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.

Weekly bulletins can be found on our website www.stjosephspringfield.org or by joining our weekly Parish Notes group on Flocknote. Text **SPRINGFIELD to 84576** and sign up to receive Flocknote messages from St. Joseph Catholic Church in Springfield, NE.

Liturgy Ministers

Saturday, 8/17 @ 5:00 p.m.

- Greeters:** Scott & Jane Ferrin
- Lector:** Sharon VanTassell/John Cronican
- EMHC:** Julie Masters
- Singers:**
- Altar Server:**

Sunday, 8/18 @ 7:00 a.m.

- Bob Green
- Mike Kalen
- JoAnn Swanson
- No Music

Sunday, 8/18 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Iro & Mary Johnson
- Beth Anderson/Teresa Belter
- Shelley Cacka
- Lauren & Mason Reed

If you are interested in serving St. Joseph parish as a greeter, EMHC, or lector, please contact Sharon VanTassell in the parish office at 402-253-2949 or secretary68059@gmail.com.

Parish Events and Formation

- **Monday, August 12th** | Women's Baselight Group @ 7:30PM
- **Tuesday, August 13th** | Ladies Guild Monthly meeting @ 7PM in the Parish Hall
- **Thursday, August 15th** | Holy Day of Obligation - Assumption of Mary (Mass at 6:45AM and 5:30PM)
- **Saturday, August 17th** | Men's Baselight Group @ 7AM
- **Sunday, August 18th** | Confirmation during 9AM Mass followed by Donut Sunday

GriefShare - New program starting in August

GriefShare is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Over 13 weeks, you'll find relief and comfort as you learn what to expect in the days ahead and how to navigate your personal grief process. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way. **The GriefShare Group will begin meeting August 19th from 7PM - 8:30PM and meet every Monday through November 11th.** We will meet in the parish hall. A signup is available in the vestibule. If you have questions or would like to attend, you may also contact: Bob Green: 402-990-9944, Deb Hoskins: 402-699-0049 dahoskins1980@icloud.com, Ann Kavanaugh: 402-679-0659 cannkava@gmail.com

Walthill/Macy Service Trip

Last Tuesday, volunteers from St. Joseph's parish dropped off boxes filled with the school supply donations collected during the month of July to the schools of Walthill and Macy. The school representatives were beyond grateful for the generosity shown by our parish community. If you would like to get involved with volunteering on the first Tuesday of every month with Catholic Charities to help package and distribute food boxes to the residents of Walthill and Macy in northeastern Nebraska, kindly contact Sue Knott at 402-810-2033. Our next day of service is September 3rd. We meet at 7:30AM and carpool from church.

Preschool Catechesis of the Good Shepherd(CGS) - Starting this Fall

REGISTRATION is now OPEN! St. Joseph will be starting a Pre-K CGS program this fall. It will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 11:00 am in the kindergarten room of the RE building. Children aged three to five, as well as six-year-olds who are not yet in kindergarten, are invited to join. CGS is a hand-on, Montessori approach to religious education for children that is rooted in Scripture and Liturgy. The group will follow the RE calendar and meet on the same days as the traditional RE program. Participation is free of charge. It is important to note that all children must be fully potty-trained in order to attend. For more information and registration, go to St. Joseph's website at www.stjosephspringfield.org.

Religious Education Registration for 2024-2025

Register by August 28th! For the coming academic year, St. Joseph will be offering 2 different options for Religious Education for kids. They are tradition RE weekly on Wednesday evenings and Family Formation once a month on a Thursday evening. More information about each option can be found on our website under Religious Education. If you have already registered please let Sherry Huntwork know which option your family will be taking. If you haven't registered yet, please do so by going to the website stjosephspringfield.org and register. Feel free to contact Sherry Huntwork shuntwork@msn.com or Father Scott sahastings@archomaha.org if you have any questions.

Volunteers Needed for upcoming Religious Formation year

We are currently looking for adult volunteers that are Safe Environment certified to help us with childcare, classroom aide, and a 5th grade lead catechist during this year's Religious Formation. If you are interested, kindly contact Sherry Huntwork at shuntwork@msn.com.



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

(1 Kgs 19:8)

The prophet Elijah was exhausted and prayed for death under a broom tree. How do you help a friend or family member who has such despair?

Second Reading

(Eph 5: 1-2)

Paul's high standard for living in the community of believers was literally unheard of in the ancient world. How can any community of faith achieve such an ideal way of living?

Gospel Reading

(John 6:51)

Despite opposition from those who knew Jesus and his family personally, Jesus offered eternal life to all who believe in him. How can someone remain open to new or challenging ideas?

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PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT.....**Julie Richards**
 402.881. 2407

DEACONS.....**Deacon David (retired) & Linda Christensen**
Deacon Terry & Karen Ficenc
Deacon David & VanNessa Krueger

Parish Groups & Ministry Leaders

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....**Jim Amerine**
 FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....**Steve Callicut**
 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
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 FLOCKNOTE TEXT-TO-JOIN.....SPRINGFIELD to 84576
 FACEBOOK.....facebook.com/stjoseph

Monthly Charity

~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild~

We will be collecting men, women, and children's underwear for the August charity drive. All donations will be delivered to the Siena Frances House. They will distribute the underwear to those in need.

New Parish Directory

Now Available!

The parish directory is now available to download. You can find the link in the weekly Parish Notes on Flocknote. If you have not been able to download it yet, kindly contact Sharon VanTassell in the parish office at secretary68059@gmail.com or 402-253-2949. Thanks to everyone who took part. If there are updates or corrections, please let us know.



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.