



# 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:**  
Check the website/bulletin for times.

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



## TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.”

John 6:48-50

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**From the Pastor's Desk**

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners

As we get started with the new academic year, if anyone is interested in serving as a weekly catechist or classroom aide for RE, or helping with childcare for Family Formation monthly, please contact Sherry Huntwork. We could use a few more volunteers as we start the year.

As we celebrate Confirmation this weekend, special thanks are in order for our catechists and aides who have helped to prepare those being confirmed over the years. Thank you for your generous service!

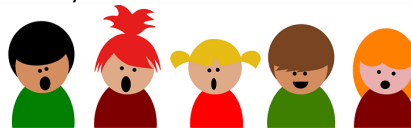
Have a great week!

Best,  
Fr. Scott

**Join Junior Choir**

Junior Choir kicks off its year by singing for the opening RE mass on Wednesday, September 4 at 5:30 PM. If you are new to the parish, or your children have an interest in joining choir, please come up and sing with us!

Our first practice will be 5:30 - 6:00 on Wednesday, September 25, followed by mass on Saturday, September 28 at 5:00. Normally, our schedule runs as follows: Practice before Wed. RE 5:30pm - 6:00pm, sing for masses on the second Sunday and fourth Saturday of each month. Questions? Contact Candy Connery 402-661-4214.



**Mass Intentions**

<b>SUN 8/18</b>	7:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.	+	Rick Becker
<b>MON 8/19</b>	8:00 a.m.	+	Steven Kotlarz
<b>TUE 8/20</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Doris Royal
<b>WED 8/21</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Sue Shartz
<b>TH 8/22</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Kent Looby
<b>FRI 8/23</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Gary Scheibel
<b>SAT 8/24</b>	5:00 p.m.	+	Lois Beck

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 Aug 11th/12nd  
 Offertory.....\$6,837.00  
 Building Fund.....\$920.00  
 Assumption.....\$5.00

**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](http://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, 8/24 @ 5:00 p.m.**

**Greeters:** Deb Hoskins/Danette Thibault  
**Lector:** Ken Patry/Linda Christensen  
**EMHC:** Leigh Ann Amerine  
**Singers:** Kathy/Candy  
**Altar Server:**

**Sunday, 8/25 @ 7:00 a.m.**

Bob Green  
 Mike Kalen  
 Julie Masters  
 No Music

**Sunday, 8/25 @ 9:00 a.m.**

Donna Devine/Kathy Irvin  
 Jeff Needels/Corey Osborn  
 Debbie Vacek  
 Choir/Annie  
 Liam Sciba/Dominic Cacka

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

- **Sunday, August 18th** | Confirmation during 9AM Mass followed by Donut Sunday
- **Monday, August 19th** | Baselight Women's group @ 7:30PM  
| GriefShare @ 7PM in the parish hall
- **Tuesday, August 20th** | Finance Meeting at 6:30PM in the RE Building
- **Wednesday, August 21st** | Senior Game Day @ 1:00PM

### 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. **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 kannkava@gmail.com

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

**Register by August 28th!** St. Joseph start a Preschool CGS program this fall. It will be held on Wednesdays mornings 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. For more information and registration, go to St. Joseph's website at [www.stjosephspringfield.org](http://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. Feel free to contact Sherry Huntwork [shuntwork@msn.com](mailto:shuntwork@msn.com) or Father Scott [sahastings@archomaha.org](mailto: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, as classroom aides, and a 5th grade lead catechist during this year's Religious Formation. If you are interested, kindly contact Sherry Huntwork at [shuntwork@msn.com](mailto:shuntwork@msn.com).

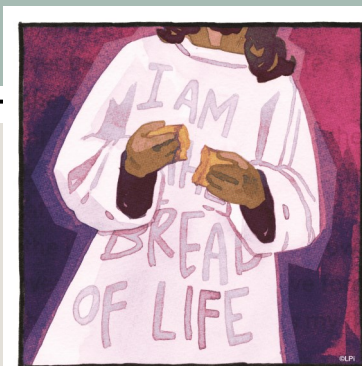
### Rosary Making Event

You're invited to a special Rosary-Making Event **every fourth Monday of each month at 6:30PM in St. Joseph's parish hall.** This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community, share in a meaningful activity, and create beautiful, handcrafted rosaries for personal use or for a special cause.

Whether you are experienced in rosary making or trying it for the first time, all are welcome! We will provide all the necessary materials and instructions, so you only need to bring your enthusiasm and willingness to learn. Light refreshments will be served, and we encourage you to bring a friend or family member. We look forward to seeing you and sharing this special experience together.

### Care Packages for College Students

St Joseph's Ladies Guild is excited to send care packages to our young adults again this year. If you have a college student, young adult in the military, or newly entering the workforce, we want them to know we are thinking of them and praying for their new adventure. Please send your young adult's name and address to Julie Nieveen at [Julie.nieveen@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.nieveen@gmail.com).



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

(Prv 9:1-6)

We hear from Proverbs how Wisdom herself invites us to a deeper understanding of life. Is there someone in your family or among your friends who you consider a "wise" person?

#### Second Reading

(Eph 5:15-17)

Paul taught the Ephesians that a wise person strives to understand the will of the Lord and lives a life of prayer and gratitude. What are some ways we can grow in prayer and gratitude in our daily lives?

#### Gospel Reading

(John 6:51-58)

Jesus promises eternal life to those who believe in him and eat his flesh and drink his blood (participate in the Eucharist). How can we show our gratitude to the Lord for such a gift?

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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  
 EMAIL.....info@stjosephspringfield.org  
 FLOCKNOTE TEXT-TO-JOIN.....SPRINGFIELD to 84576  
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### Monthly Charity

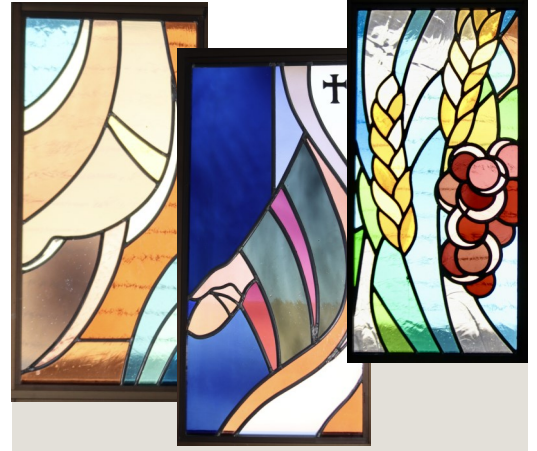
~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild~

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.