

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

### HOLY DAYS:

Check the website for Mass times.

### CONFESSIONS:

30 minutes before daily Masses and 45 minutes before weekend Masses

Thank you for your generous giving!

Your financial support is vital to the well-being of our church and parish ministries. We encourage you to giving online which is a simple and easy way to support our continued mission.



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

“But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!” -Luke 13:3

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**From the Pastor's Desk**

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who has helped to make the fish fries possible this Lent. The first one went smoothly and by the time this is printed, hopefully the second one did, too! These kind of large events take a huge amount of generosity from a lot of people. Thanks to all!

Have a good week!

Best,  
Fr. Scott

**Remember in our Prayers**

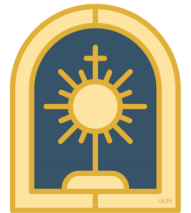
Let us pray for Margaret Wilson, Bob Green and Eileen Stock. Pray also for all our parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized, and in nursing homes.

Let us keep in our prayers, Bob Carmichael and Kathy Biernbaum, beloved members of our parish who have recently passed away. May God grant them eternal rest and surround their families with comfort and peace during this difficult time. Amen.



**Eucharistic Adoration**

Jesus is waiting for you. He longs to spend time with you, to pour His love into your heart, and to bring you peace in His presence. Come and sit with Him in the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration on **Wednesday, April 4th, from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM**, and **Monday, April 28th, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM**. He desires so genuinely to be with you—will you come and be with Him for a while? Whether you stay for five minutes or an hour, take this time to rest in His love and grace.



Another place nearby that has Eucharistic Adoration:

- **Ablaze House of Worship** (11501 Fairview Rd) - They have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in their chapel on **Tuesdays from 8 AM to 6:30 PM** and **Thursdays from 8 AM to 8 PM**.
- **St. Columbkille** (200 E Sixth St in Papillion) - They have Eucharistic Adoration from **1 PM to 9 PM every Thursday during Lent**.

*"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)*

**Weekly Collections**

Weekend of March 15th & 16th

Offertory.....\$2,889.00

Building Fund.....\$250.00

**Ascension Press  
Sunday Resources**



Our parish is excited to share weekly resources from Ascension Press, including *Bible in a Year*, *Children's Resources*, *Encountering the Word*, and *Catechism in a Year*. These resources are designed to help deepen your faith journey and grow in understanding of Scripture and Church teachings. Sunday resources will be shared by downloadable links in the weekly *Parish Notes* send out through Flocknote.

**Mass Intentions**

|                 |           |   |                         |
|-----------------|-----------|---|-------------------------|
| <b>SUN 3/23</b> | 7:00 a.m. | + | People of St. Joseph    |
|                 | 9:00 a.m. |   | Katie Sciba             |
| <b>MON 3/24</b> | 8:00 a.m. | + | Kenny Grove             |
| <b>TUE 3/25</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Mike Liebentritt        |
| <b>WED 3/26</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Fred & Mary Pontillo    |
| <b>TH 3/27</b>  | 6:45 a.m. | + | Brenda Jones            |
| <b>FRI 3/28</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Members of the Military |
| <b>SAT 3/29</b> | 5:00 p.m. | + | Charlie Bacon Sr.       |
| <b>SUN 3/30</b> | 7:00 a.m. |   | People of St. Joseph    |
|                 | 9:00 a.m. | + | Joe Pawleski Jr.        |

To request a Mass intention for a loved one, please contact the parish office; a \$10 donation is recommended.

**Liturgy Ministers**

**Saturday, 3/29 @ 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Kathleen Pratt/Sharon VanTassell  
**Lectors:** Sharon VanTassell/John Cronican  
**EMHC:** Kathleen Pratt  
**Singers:** Lorraine/Karen  
**Altar Server:**

**Sunday, 3/30 @ 7:00 AM**

Mike Kalen  
JoAnn Swanson  
No music

**Sunday, 3/30 @ 9:00 AM**

Donna Devine/Kathy Irvin  
Beth Anderson/Amy Krance-Wendt  
Amy Krance-Wendt  
Emerson Osborn  
Peter 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 & Formation

- **Sunday, Mar. 23rd** | Rooted in LOVE: Marriage Enrichment Series Part 3 @ 10 AM in the Parish Hall
- **Monday, Mar. 24th** | Rosary Making @ 6:30pm in the Parish Hall
- **Wednesday, Mar. 26th** | Preschool CGS @ 9:30am  
- RE @ 6:15pm  
- 7th/8th graders @ 6:15pm - 7:30pm (Confirmation parent session)
- **Friday, Mar. 28th** | Stations of the Cross @ 5:30 PM in sanctuary
- **Sunday, Mar. 30th** | Rooted in LOVE: Marriage Enrichment Series Part 4 @ 10 AM

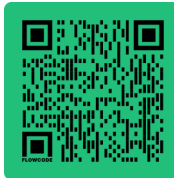
### Join a Small Group this LENT

Looking to enrich your Lenten journey? There is still time to join a Live Lent Together small group. Groups meet once a week to reflect on Scripture and discuss what is stirring in their hearts. To learn more or sign up, visit our website and click on "LLT Small Groups" on the homepage or scan the QR code.

If you have questions about joining or leading a small group, contact Amanda Staroscik at [amanda@stjosephspringfield.org](mailto:amanda@stjosephspringfield.org).

### Join us for a Marriage Enrichment Series

Strengthen your relationship and grow together in faith at Rooted in LOVE: a **four-part Marriage Enrichment Series!** Join us on **Sundays: March 16th, 23rd, and 30th at 10 AM in the Parish Hall** for a time of encouragement, practical insights, and meaningful conversation. **Attend one session or all!** Childcare will be provided. Simply scan the QR code to sign up online, or you can sign up in the narthex.



#### What You'll Gain:

- **Faith-Based Encouragement** – Discover how to **pray together as a couple** and invite God into your marriage.
- **A Renewed Sense of Purpose** – Explore what it means to **put each other first and grow in self-giving love** in marriage.
- **Guidance for Parenting & Passing on the Faith** – Gain insights on **nurturing faith at home, especially when children take a different path.**

### Works of Mercy Ministry: Service Opportunity

#### NEBRASKA DIAPER BANK



Mark your calendar to join other volunteers from St. Joseph's Parish at the Nebraska Diaper Bank on **Saturday, March 22nd from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM** to help count and bundle diapers for those families in need. Reach out to Amanda Staroscik by email at [amanda@stjosephspringfield.org](mailto:amanda@stjosephspringfield.org) if you would like to come. (Note: Kids must be 12 years of age to volunteer.)

#### Walthill & Macy Service Trip

Our next trip up to Walthill and Macy Nebraska to help Catholic Charities prepare food boxes and distribute them to families will be Tuesday, April 1st. Contact Sue Knott at 402-810-2033 if you would like to join. Carpooling is available.

### Lent FISH FRIES at St. Joseph

#### April 4 | April 11

Two Fish Fries down and two more to go! Mark your calendars to join us for the next three. Doors will be open from **4:30 PM to 7:00 PM!** We will have crispy fish and shrimp, all the best sides, and plenty of fun for the whole family. **Kids will love the face painting, balloon animals, and ice cream, while the rest of us enjoy great food, drinks and even better company!** It's more than just a meal—it's a night of fellowship, laughter, and community.

The success of our Fish Fries are because of all our AMAZING volunteers! We are still in need of help for the next three. Thank you to all who have helped already at our first two Fish Fries. If you would like to lend a hand working at one of our Fish Fries, scan the QR code to sign up!!



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

God reveals to Moses that He has heard the cry of His people, and He is coming to rescue them from slavery in Egypt. What prayer do you need answered from God?

#### Second Reading

Paul believed the mistakes of the Israelites in the desert serve as an example and a warning of what to avoid in our journey with God. How might you show gratitude to God this upcoming week of Lent?

#### Gospel Reading

Jesus taught one must repent to bear good fruit in life. Can you think of some good fruit you have borne from repenting?

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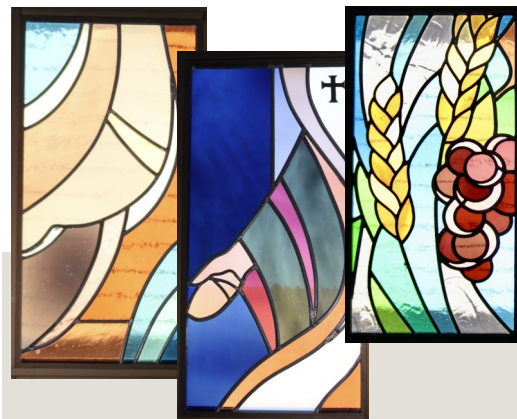
PARISH SECRETARY.....**Sharon VanTassell**  
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DEACONS.....**Deacon David (retired) & Linda Christensen**  
**Deacon Terry & Karen Ficene**  
**Deacon David & VanNessa Krueger**



**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.

**Parish Groups & Ministry Leaders**

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....**Jim Amerine**  
 FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....**Mike Fowler**  
 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 AM - 11:00 AM  
 PHONE.....402.253.2949  
 EMAIL.....info@stjosephspringfield.org  
 FLOCKNOTE TEXT-TO-JOIN.....SPRINGFIELD to 84576  
 FACEBOOK.....facebook.com/stjosf

**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 AM. 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.

**Parish Directory**

The parish directory is available in paper copy or to download. Kindly contact Sharon VanTassell in the parish office at secretary68059@gmail.com or 402-253-2949. If there are updates or corrections, please let us know.

**Monthly Charity Drive**

~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild~

St. Joseph is launching *Feeding the Flock*, a new meal ministry to prepare and freeze main courses and baked goods for parishioners in need. Volunteers are welcome to help cook, assemble, or deliver meals, which will be stored and supplemented with fresh items as needed for those experiencing life changes, health challenges, or other special circumstances. We'll begin scheduling kitchen dates in late March, and in the meantime, we gratefully accept pantry donations or grocery gift cards—items needed for donation can be found on the flyer near the charity corner in the church's narthex. For questions or meal requests, please contact Laurel Zelinski (402-933-7554) or Sue Knott (402-253-8432).

