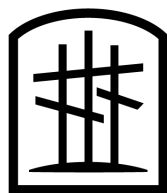


Sunday, August 31st

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



# SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

## ~WELCOME~

Welcome to our parish! 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:

See website for times and dates

### 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.



## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of righteous.”

-Lk 14:13-14

Excerpts from the lectionary for Mass copyright 2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### 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.

### Prayer for Humility

Dear God,

Mold my heart after Yours. Help me to see myself as You see me: surrounded by Your love. Help me to see others as You see them as well. Give me knowledge of your ways, today and always. Amen.



### Ascension Press Sunday Resources

Our parish is excited to share weekly resources from Ascension Press, including Bible in a Year, 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. Links to our Sunday resources are in the weekly Parish Notes send out through Flocknote.

### Weekly Collections

Weekend of August 23rd/24th

Offertory.....\$3,101.00  
Building Fund.....\$90.00  
Assumption.....\$25.00

Thank you for your tithing!

### From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

This week, RE starts back up with our opening Mass for the RE year. The Mass is certainly open to everyone. It feels like a change in season. Once school is open and RE is up and running, it feels like the definitive end of summer. This is a time where routines get full and life gets busy again. It's a good time to remind ourselves that as the schedule fills up, we need to schedule time for the Lord and we need to have some patience with ourselves if we're a bit more stressed than usual these few weeks. Soon enough, the season change will be behind us and we'll be looking forward to the holidays!

Have a great week!

Best,

Fr. Scott

### First Friday Anointing Mass

This coming Friday, Sept. 5th will be our First Friday Mass at 2:00pm. During this special liturgy, Father Scott will offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to anyone in need of Christ's healing grace, whether due to illness, the burden of years, or the challenges of health concerns.

### First Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration

Come and spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament during Eucharistic Adoration on **Wednesday, Sept 3rd**. Exposition will begin immediately following the 6:45am Mass. **Please note that Benediction will be at 5:10pm to accommodate for the RE Mass at 5:30pm that evening.**



Whether you come for a few quiet minutes or stay for a longer visit, this is a beautiful opportunity to rest in His presence, offer your prayers, and draw closer to Christ in the Eucharist.

Come, sit with Jesus, and allow His peace to renew your heart.

### Mass Intentions

<b>SUN 8/31</b>	7:00 a.m.	+	JoAnn Niecepozeks
	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
<b>MON 9/1</b>	8:00 a.m.	+	Tony Briganti
<b>TUE 9/2</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Mike Liebenritt
<b>WED 9/3</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Loretta DeMarco
<b>TH 9/4</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Frank Bryl
<b>FRI 9/5</b>	6:45 a.m.	+	Angela Boro
	2:00 p.m.		Priest's Intention
<b>SAT 9/6</b>	8:00 a.m.		Priest's Intention
	5:00 p.m.	+	Paul & Mary Wenzl
<b>SUN 9/7</b>	7:00 a.m.	+	George & Harriet Green
	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph

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

### Liturgy Ministers

**Sunday, 9/7 @ 7:00 AM**

Beth Anderson  
JoAnn Swanson

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Iro & Mary Johnson  
Amy Krance-Wendt/Teresa Belter  
Shelley Cacka/Galen Klenda  
Emerson/Candy  
Dominic Cacka/Thomas Sciba

**Saturday, 9/6 @ 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Jeff Kreifels/Kathleen Pratt

**Lectors:** Marla Kildow/Mike Fowler

**EMHC:** Julie Masters

**Singers:** Lorraine/Cindy/Karen/Kathy

**Altar Server:**



## Parish Events & Formation

- **Monday, Sept. 1st** | Women's Baselight Group @ 7pm
- **Tuesday, Sept. 2nd** | Walthill/Macy Service Trip with Catholic Charities  
| Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
- **Wednesday, Sept. 3rd** | Eucharistic Adoration @ 7am - 5:10pm  
| Religious Education Mass & Open House @ 5:30pm
- **Friday, Sept. 5th** | First Friday Anointing Mass @ 2pm
- **Saturday, Sept. 6th** | Men's Baselight group @ 7am  
| First Saturday Mass and Adoration (Exposition starts at 7am and Mass @ 8am)

### Religious Education Kickoff & Registration

If you haven't already signed up for Religious Education, now is the time to do so! **We invite all TRE, Family Formation, Preschool CGS and Youth Goup families to join us for the Beginning of the Religious Education Year Mass & Open House on Wednesday, September 3rd.**

- Mass at 5:30 PM in the church—Brief announcements from Fr. Scott and Sherry Huntwork, Director of Religious Education
- Open House in the RE Building for TRE students—meet your child's teacher
- Pizza in the Parish Hall—fellowship and fun for the whole family!
- Smore's for the Youth Group in the rectory driveway

Don't miss this wonderful start to our faith-filled year together! **Our first day in the classroom will be September 10th.** Register today at [www.stjosephspringfield.org](http://www.stjosephspringfield.org). Questions? Contact Sherry Huntwork, DRE, at [shuntwork@msn.com](mailto:shuntwork@msn.com).

### St. Joseph HS Youth Group is BACK!

High school teens—come be part of something great! St. Joseph's Youth Group is the perfect place to make friends, have fun, and grow in your Catholic faith.

- **When:** First & Third Wednesdays, 6:00–7:30pm
- **Where:** 500 S. 10th Avenue, Springfield

And that's not all—throughout the year we'll also host Service Sundays and Social Sundays (dates TBA). From faith-filled fun to giving back, there's something for everyone!

Questions? Reach out to our awesome Youth Group leaders, Kelly & Tim Johnson, at [tkjohnson2223@gmail.com](mailto:tkjohnson2223@gmail.com).

### Junior Choir is Starting Again!

Calling all 2nd–8th graders! If your child loves to sing, we want them in Junior Choir this year at St. Joseph.

- **Practice:** 2nd Wednesday of each month, 5:30–6:00pm in the sanctuary  
(First practice will be Wednesday, October 8th)

- **Sing at Mass:** The following Sunday at 9:00am

Join us for fun, fellowship, and the joy of lifting your voice in song at Mass. All returning and new members are welcome—come make a joyful noise with us!

Contact Candace Connery at [candaceconnery@gmail.com](mailto:candaceconnery@gmail.com) if you would like to join!!

### Funeral Luncheon Volunteers Needed

Join our Funeral Luncheon Flocknote group and receive Sign-Up Genius links when help is needed. You can donate food or assist in the kitchen—whatever fits your schedule. All parishioners are welcome!



### St. Joseph's Ladies Guild – College & Young Adult Outreach

Do you have a son, daughter, or grandchild who is in college, serving in the military, or beginning life in the workforce after high school? The St. Joseph's Ladies Guild would love to send them a care package as a reminder that they are loved and supported by their parish family. Please share their name and mailing address with Julie Nieveen at [julie.nieveen@gmail.com](mailto:julie.nieveen@gmail.com).



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

Sirach speaks of the virtue of humility and the wisdom of knowing one's limits. Can you think of time when you needed to depend on others?

#### Second Reading

The author of Hebrews speaks of our direct access to God through the new covenant established by Jesus. How might we take advantage of such a gift?

#### Gospel Reading

With the parable of the wedding banquet, Jesus teaches the Pharisees to be open and even inviting to the poor and marginalized. How might you exercise this virtue in the coming week?

### Live The Liturgy

"When you hold a banquet, invite the poor," Jesus instructs. "Blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." Each of us has our own banquet to offer, our own gifts to share. Who will we invite?

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## Parish Groups & Ministry Leaders

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....	<b>Jim Amerine</b>
FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....	<b>Mike Fowler</b>
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10894	
GRAND KNIGHT.....	<b>Greg Krasa</b>
LADIES GUILD PRESIDENT .....	<b>Deb Hoskins</b>
MUSIC MINISTRY & YOUTH CHOIR	
COORDINATOR.....	<b>Candy Connery</b>
YOUTH GROUP LEADERS.....	<b>Kelly Johnson &amp; Julie Nieveen</b>

## 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](mailto: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 [sharon@stjosephspringfield.org](mailto:sharon@stjosephspringfield.org) or 402-253-2949. 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.



## Monthly Charity Drive ~Sponsored by the Ladies Guild

During the month of August, St. Joseph Parish is collecting much-needed items for the Women's Shelter through Catholic Charities of Omaha. This shelter provides a safe and supportive space for women and children escaping domestic violence and working toward a new beginning.

You can make a big difference by donating everyday essentials: **bath towels, twin sheet sets, shampoo and conditioner, bras, baby bottles, deodorant, food storage containers, paper plates, and Tide Pods.** It's easy to help—just scan the QR code and shop directly from their Amazon Wish List. Thank you for your generosity

