



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.



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? ...In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.”

-Lk 14:28, 33

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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.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rita Munnelly, who passed away last Sunday. May she find peace in the presence of our Lord in heaven. Amen.

Prayer for Simplicity

Dear God, In my desire for You, take away anything that keeps me from knowing You, myself, or my mission here on earth. Help me to remember what is truly important and to see and treasure that. Amen.



Ascension Press Sunday Resources

Our parish is excited to share weekly resources from Ascension Press. These resources are designed to help deepen your faith journey and grow in understanding of Scripture and Church teachings. Links to their Sunday resources are in the weekly Parish Notes send out through Flocknote.

Weekly Collections

Weekend of August 30th/31st

Offertory.....\$4,161.00
Building Fund.....\$255.00

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Included with this week's bulletin is our annual parish report. This includes a financial report and a pastoral report. If there is other reporting information that you would like to see, please let me know. There is so much to be thankful for in our community, and I hope that this report makes that clear. We are tremendously blessed.

Have a great week!
Best,

Fr. Scott

A Day of Recollection: St. Joseph's Parish Retreat

Our parish retreats, *A Day of Recollection* this year will focus on more deeply entering into the Mass. It is something familiar to us, but let's take some time to go deep into the meaning and the grace available to us in the Mass.

Join us at the Ablaze House of Prayer right down the street on Fairview Rd on **Saturday, October 11th from 8:30am to 3pm** for a restful and rejuvenating day with the Lord. Fr. Scott will lead us in a talk, followed by time for discussions, small group and personal reflections, Mass and lunch.

Register for the day by contacting Amanda Staroscik at amanda@stjosephspringfield.org.

Finding Hope in the Midst of Grief

The holiday season can be especially difficult for those who are grieving. Join **Deacon Jim Tardy** for a compassionate talk on **"Dealing with Grief During the Holidays"** on **Saturday, October 18th from 3:00-4:15 PM in the Parish Hall at St. Joseph**. Together, we will reflect on how faith can bring comfort, healing, and hope.

Light snacks will be provided. To help us plan for seating and hospitality, please register by emailing **Amanda Staroscik** at amanda@stjosephspringfield.org or let Sharon know in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

SUN 9/7	7:00 a.m.	+	George & Harriet Green
	9:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
MON 9/8	8:00 a.m.	+	Tom Adler
TUE 9/9	6:45 a.m.	+	Pat, Andrea & Evelyn Looby
WED 9/10	6:45 a.m.	+	Loretta DeMarco
TH 9/11	6:45 a.m.	+	Angela Boro
FRI 9/12	6:45 a.m.	+	Paul & Mary Wenzl
SAT 9/13	5:00 p.m.	+	Max & Vivian Bowen
SUN 9/14	7:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.	+	Jaren Olson

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

Liturgy Ministers

Sunday, 9/14 @ 7:00 AM

Mike Kalen
Julie Masters

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Justin & Julie Nieveen
Larry Vacek/Corey Osborn
Deb Vacek/Michelle Gustafson
Cindy Hamata/Annie Z
Liam & Peter Sciba

Saturday, 9/13 @ 5:00 PM

Greeters: Deb Hoskins/Dannett Thibault
Lectors: Ken Patry/Jim Amerine
EMHC: Leigh Ann Amerine
Singers: Amy Krance-Wendt
Altar Server:

Parish Events & Formation

- **Monday, Sept. 8th** | Women's Baselight Group @ 7pm
- **Tuesday, Sept. 9th** | Ladies Guild Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
- **Wednesday, Sept. 10** | Preschool CGS @ 9:30am-11am
 - Family Formation @ 5:15pm-7:30pm
 - TRE @ 6:15pm-7:30pm
- **Saturday, Sept. 13th** | Men's Baselight group @ 7am

Religious Education News



Thank you to all families who came out to celebrate the starting of our Religious Education year. We are blessed to journey with your family at St. Joseph. Let's continue to encourage one another to live the joy of the Gospel each day! **Our first day in the classroom will be this coming Wednesday, September 10th.** Preschool CGS is from 9:30am to 11am and TRE classes are from 6:15pm to 7:30pm. Family Formation will begin with dinner at

5:15pm with teaching starting at 6pm-7:30pm.

Questions? Contact Sherry Huntwork, DRE, at shuntwork@msn.com, or Amanda Staroscik at amanda@stjosephspringfield.org.

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

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, September 17th.

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.

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 if you would like to join!!

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.

Be a Welcoming Face at Mass

We are looking for families and couples to serve as **greeters** at the **5:00 PM Saturday Mass** and the **9:00 AM Sunday Mass**. This is a simple but meaningful way to share Christ's love and make everyone feel at home at St. Joseph. If your family would like to help, please ~~contact the parish office~~

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!



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The author of Wisdom teaches us that our limited understanding can be overcome by the gift of wisdom from God's Holy Spirit. Have you ever prayed for the gift of wisdom in discerning a difficult course of action?

Second Reading

Paul is asking Philemon to welcome back his runaway slave, Onesimus, as a brother in Christ. Who do you consult when making difficult life decisions?

Gospel Reading

Jesus challenges the crowds to weigh carefully the high cost of discipleship. What have you given up following Jesus?

Live The Liturgy

Today, Jesus tells us the cost of true discipleship and it turns out, its everything. We must reject the world in order to love God. What attachments are holding us back from the relationship we could have - we should have - with our Lord?

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

Parish Groups & Ministry Leaders

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....	Jim Amerine
FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT.....	Mike Fowler
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10894	
GRAND KNIGHT.....	Greg Krasa
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 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 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

