

# 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:

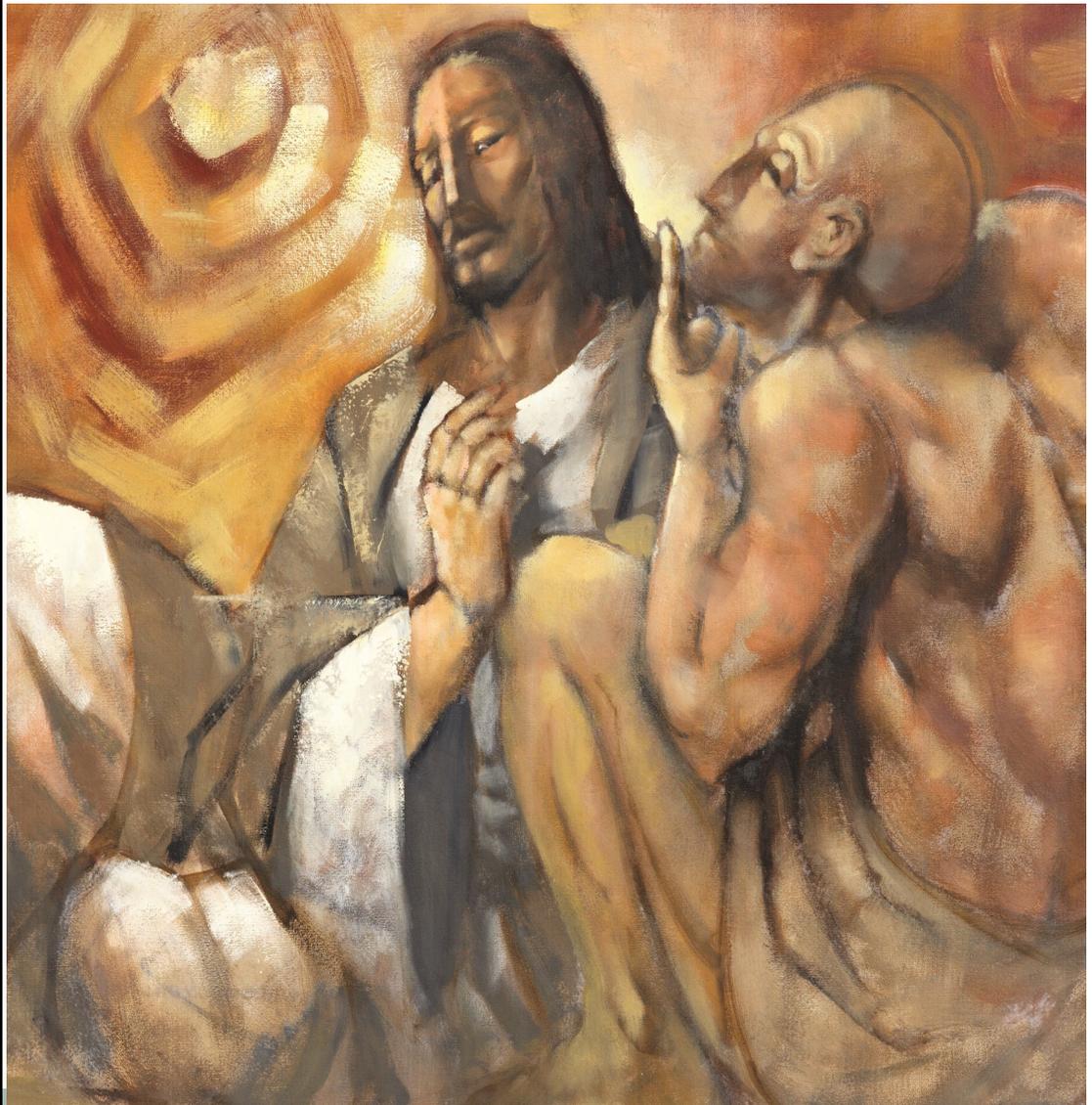
Please check the parish website for Mass times

### CONFESSIONS:

30 minutes before daily Masses and 45 minutes before weekend Masses

**Thank you for you generous giving!** Your financial support

is vital to the well-being of our church and parish ministries.



## 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

*“The tempter approached and said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.’ He said in reply, ‘It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.’” - Mt 4:1-4*

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**From the Pastor's Desk**

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

We're off to the races already with this Lenten season. The next six weeks will fly by, unless we have a plan to engage them well. I encourage you now to think about how you will celebrate Easter. As always, making time for the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil is a great idea. They are weighty and impactful celebrations at the very heart of our faith.

Thanks to everyone who will be involved in our fish fries for the next four weeks. They will surely be a great time!

Have a great week!

Best,  
Fr. Scott

**Parish Retreat: A Day of Recollection**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST 8:30AM - 3PM**

Join us for our parish retreat *A Day of Recollection* at the Ablaze House of Prayer on 115th & Fairview Rd.

This year's retreat invites you to slow down within the rhythm of the Mass, listening more closely, seeing more clearly, and opening ourselves to the grace God pours out each time we gather at the altar. Guided by Fr. Scott, the day will include talks, silent prayer, small group reflection, Mass, and lunch.



Register for a day of prayer, peace, and renewal by reaching out to Amanda Staroscik at [amanda@stjosephspringfield.org](mailto:amanda@stjosephspringfield.org) or

**Remember in our Prayers**

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

**Join St. Joseph's Prayer Chain**

Would you like to lift others in prayer, or have someone's intention prayed for? Our Prayer Chain supports our parish family through the power of prayer.

Prayer intentions are sent out through Flocknote. To join, scan the QR code in the bulletin or contact Julie Richards at 402-881-2407.



Have you moved or had a change in your contact information this past year? We'd be grateful if you would let Sharon in the parish office know so we can keep our records up to date and stay connected with you. Please contact the parish office at your convenience with any updates.

THE GREAT  
" VIRTUE IS NOTHING WITHOUT THE TRIAL OF TEMPTATION, FOR THERE IS NO CONFLICT WITHOUT AN ENEMY, NO VICTORY WITHOUT STRIFE. "

- ST. LEO THE GREAT



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|---------------------|------|----------------|------|
| Dave Christiansen   | 1st  | Pam Klenda     | 15th |
| Mary Beth Munsinger | 1st  | Dennis Munnely | 24th |
| Al Thibault         | 2nd  | Henry Looby    | 31st |
| Laurel Zielinski    | 7th  |                |      |
| Tom Pribal          | 11th |                |      |
| Gary Devine         | 11th |                |      |
| Jeannie Schiebel    | 15th |                |      |

**Mass Intentions**

|                 |           |   |                          |
|-----------------|-----------|---|--------------------------|
| <b>SUN 2/22</b> | 7:00 a.m. |   | People of St. Joseph     |
|                 | 9:00 a.m. |   | Meister Family           |
| <b>MON 2/23</b> | 8:00 a.m. | + | John Kurtz               |
| <b>TUE 2/24</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Karen Ficenc             |
| <b>WED 2/25</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Delores & Richard Hazuka |
| <b>TH 2/26</b>  | 6:45 a.m. | + | Scott Riha               |
| <b>FRI 2/27</b> | 6:45 a.m. | + | Bill Schutz              |
| <b>SAT 2/28</b> | 5:00 p.m. | + | Pam Langfeldt            |
| <b>SUN 2/29</b> | 7:00 a.m. | + | George & Harriet Green   |
|                 | 9:00 a.m. |   | People of St. Joseph     |

**Weekly Collections**

Weekend of February 14th/15th

|                     |         |
|---------------------|---------|
| Building Fund.....  | \$240   |
| Offertory.....      | \$7,303 |
| Black & Indian..... | \$575   |

**Liturgy Ministers**

**Saturday, 2/28 @ 5:00 PM**  
**Greeters:** Deb Hoskins/Danette Thibault  
**Lectors:** John Cronican/ Ken Patry  
**EMHC:** Leigh Ann Amerine  
**Gifts Bearers:**

**Sunday, 3/1 @ 7:00 AM**  
 Mike Kalen  
 Julie Masters

**Sunday, 3/1 @ 9:00 AM**  
 Iro & Mary Johnson  
 Bob Zielinski/Larry Vacek  
 Jeff Needels/Tim Johnson

\*We invite parishioners to share their gifts by serving in our liturgy as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, greeter, lector, or as a family to bring up the gifts. To get involved, please contact Sharon in the parish office at [secretary68059@gmail.com](mailto:secretary68059@gmail.com) or 402-253-2949.

## Parish Events and Formation

- **Saturday, Feb. 21st** - Spanish Classes @ 9am in St. Bernadette Rm
- **Sunday, Feb. 22nd** - Project Linus Parish Service Project @ 10am in the Parish Hall  
- HS boys/girls Bible Study Groups @ 6pm
- **Monday, Feb. 23rd** - Rosary Making Ministry @ 6:30pm in Parish Hall
- **Wednesday, Feb. 25th** - Preschool CGS @ 9:30am  
- TRE @ 6:15pm  
- Parish Building Expansion Meeting @ 6:15pm in Parish Hall  
- Guided Holy Hour & Adoration @ 8pm
- **Friday, Feb 27th** - Fish Fry @ 4:30pm-7pm  
- Stations of the Cross @ 5:30pm
- **Sunday, March 1st** - Parish Building Expansion meeting @ 10am in Parish Hall

### Service Opportunities: **PROJECT LINUS** | Sunday, February 22

Join us this Sunday, February 22nd after the 9am Mass in making fleece tie blankets to be donated to Project Linus, a nonprofit that provides blankets to hospitals and organizations serving children who have experienced trauma or abuse.

All materials, instructions, and lunch are provided, making this a meaningful and accessible Lenten service opportunity for families, including children.

Can't join us that day? You can still take part. Blanket kits will be available upon request to make at home, just return completed blankets to St. Joseph's by February 27. Questions reach out to Amanda Staroscik at [amanda@stjosephspringfield.org](mailto:amanda@stjosephspringfield.org).

### Lent FISH FRIES at St. Joseph

Feb. 27 | Mar. 6 | Mar. 13 | Mar. 20

Mark your calendars with this year's Fish Fry dates. Doors will be open from **4:30 PM to 7:00 PM!** We will have fried and baked fish, shrimp, baked potatoes, French fries, all the best sides, and plenty of fun for the whole family. Kids will love the face painting, balloon animals, and ice cream. *NEW this year! Bring cash to buy raffle tickets for*

*a chance to win some meat with our meat wheel!!*

If you would like to lend a hand working at one of our Fish Fries, scan the QR code to sign up!!



### Grief Support Gathering | Sunday, March 22nd

We warmly invite you to a special 3-hour gathering on Sunday, March 22 from 10:30am-1:30pm. Our presenter, Linda, is a nationally licensed mental health counselor with over 20 years of experience and many years serving alongside her late husband in funeral home ministry offering grief support. After his death in 2020 following 38 years of marriage, her commitment to accompanying others in grief deepened in a very personal way.

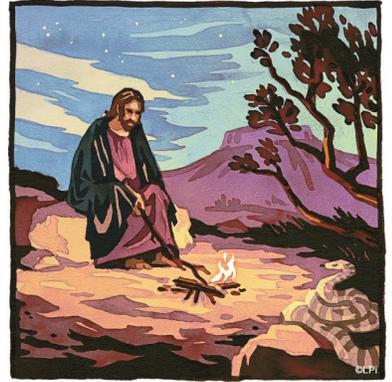
This afternoon will offer compassionate support and practical guidance. A GriefShare workbook and lunch will be provided. Register by scanning the QR code and completing the Google Form. For questions or more information, contact Ann Kavanaugh at [cannkava@gmail.com](mailto:cannkava@gmail.com) or Deb Hoskins at [Dahoskins1980@gmail.com](mailto:Dahoskins1980@gmail.com).



### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Level I Formation

Have you considered Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Level I formation? St. Joseph is hosting a Level I formation training beginning in August, and we would love for more St. Joseph parishioners to consider joining us! We offer CGS for our preschoolers, kindergarteners, 1st graders, and 3rd graders. CGS training also deeply enriches your own faith through Scripture and the liturgy.

If you're interested in learning more, please contact Trista Welsh at [tristakwelsh@gmail.com](mailto:tristakwelsh@gmail.com) or look on our parish website under the *Education* tab.



### Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

Genesis reveals that from the beginning the serpent (the Devil) desires to lure and trap us into disobeying God. Can you think of some lies the serpent is telling people today?

#### Second Reading

Paul argues that Jesus' obedience to God brought us the gift of freedom and life. How do you see yourself obeying God?

#### Gospel Reading

The season of Lent begins each year with the story of the devil tempting Jesus in the desert. As we begin the 40 days of Lent, what temptations are you willing to confront?

### Live The Liturgy

Our Lord is so humble that he allows us to see him experience temptation. The vulnerability of this moment is awesome to behold. Let us learn from Jesus' interaction with the devil, and be transformed by it. Let us say with him, "Get away, Satan."

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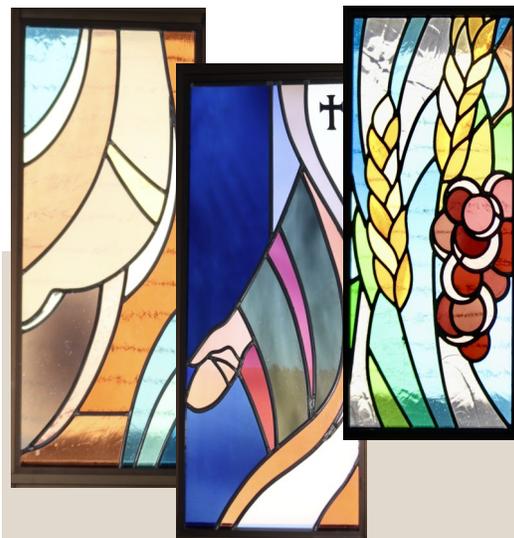
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FEEDING THE FLOCK MINISTRY.....**Sue Knott/Laurel Zielinski**  
 Laurel Zielinski (402.933.7554) or Sue Knott (402.253.8432)

DEACONS.....**Deacon David (retired) & Linda Christensen**  
**Deacon Terry Ficenc**  
**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 should contact Fr. Scott directly about baptism.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Six months of marriage preparation prior to your wedding is required by the Archdiocese. Contact Fr. Scott directly about marriage preparation.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

If you, a relative or friend are hospitalized or shut in, and would like a visit from Fr. Scott, please contact him directly.

**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.....**Greg Krasa**  
 LADIES GUILD PRESIDENT .....**Julie Richards**  
 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 sharon@stjosephspringfield.org or 402-253-2949. If there are updates or corrections, please let us know.

**Monthly Charity Drive**

*Sponsored by the Ladies' Guild*

The February charity drive is pre-packaged, shelf stable meal kits. Please take a two gallon bag with the recipe cards inside. Choose one recipe and buy the ingredients for the recipe. Place the ingredients in the two gallon bag along with the recipe sheet and return to the church. Feel free to make more than one meal kit. The kits will be distributed to the local food pantries and Least of My Brethren.