



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 and the inside of the bulletin 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.



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly raised and has appeared to Simon!" - Luke 24:33-34

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who has participated in the parish feasibility study. Next weekend, I will have more information and an announcement about next steps. We will receive the study report later this week, and that report will inform what we do next.

We have a number of parishioners who have started marriage preparation in the parish this month, so please keep them in your prayers.

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

“Feeding the Flock” Youth Group Night – Don’t Miss It!

Hey 7th & 8th graders—come hang out with current youth group students on **April 22nd from 6:00-8:00 PM** for a night of food, friends, and making a difference! We'll be in the kitchen and parish hall at St. Joseph's making meals for Feed the Flock ministry and writing encouraging notes for missals. And yes, there will be pizza! Join us and find out what our Youth Group is all about.

Mother's Day Brunch

All are invited to join us for a special Mother's Day Brunch on **Sunday, May 10th, immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass**. This delicious meal is generously hosted by our Knights of Columbus as a way to honor and celebrate all mothers and the incredible gift they are.

Field Day for all the Ladies of the Parish

Join us on Saturday, April 25th, for a meaningful afternoon as we visit St. Peter's St. Vincent de Paul Ministry and witness how they provide meals for 60–75 neighbors in need each week. Following the visit, we'll also enjoy a tour of their beautifully renovated church. We will meet in St. Joseph's parking lot at 12:15 PM to carpool and plan to return by 3:00 PM. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Cindy Hamata (402)679-9430

Mass Intentions

SUN 4/19	7:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.	+	Steven Kotlarz
MON 4/20	8:00 a.m.	+	Harold Starks
TUE 4/21	6:45 a.m.	+	Delores & Richard Hazuka
WED 4/22	6:45 a.m.		Mick Kreifels
TH 4/23	6:45 a.m.	+	Bill Schultz
FRI 4/24	6:45 a.m.	+	Pam Langfeldt
SAT 4/25	5:30 p.m.	+	Frank Novotny
SUN 4/26	7:00 a.m.		Loretta DeMarco
	9:00 a.m.	+	People of St. Joseph

If you would like to request a Mass Intention for someone special, please contact Sharon, the parish secretary in the parish office.

Remember in our Prayers

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

Mowing Volunteers Needed!

Spring has sprung and your St. Joseph Church campus is in need of people to help with mowing throughout the mowing season. The paper signup list is located on the credenza in the church entryway. If you are interested and have questions, please call or contact: Ralph Meister at 402-707-8426.



FOUNDERESS, EDUCATOR, AMERICAN SAINT

“IF YOU ARE TO DO HIS WORK, THE STRENGTH WILL BE GIVEN YOU.”

-ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Weekly Collections

Weekend of April 18/19

Building Fund.....	\$490.00
Offertory.....	\$10,864.95
Easter.....	\$805.00

Liturgy Ministers for the Weekend of April 25/26

Saturday 4/25 @ 5:00 PM

Greeters: Deb Hoskins/Danette Thibault
Lectors: Sharon VanTassell/Jim Amerine
EMHC: Leigh Ann Amerine
Gift Bearers:

Sunday 4/26 @ 7:00 AM

Beth Anderson
Rosemary Garcey

Sunday, 4/26 @ 9:00 AM

Donna Devine/Kathy Irvin
Joe Boro/Amy Krance-Wendt
Michelle Gustafson/Jeff Needels

*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 or 402-253-2949.

Parish Events and Formation

- **Tuesday, April 21st** - Finance Committee Meeting @ 7pm
- **Wednesday, April 22nd** - Preschool CGS @ 9:30am
- TRE @ 6:15pm
- Youth Group Service Opportunity @ 5:30pm in the church kitchen
- **Saturday, April 25th** - Spanish class @ 9am
- **Sunday, April 26th** - HS boys/girls Bible Study @ 6:30pm in the St. Bernadette RM

REGISTER TODAY!!! Steeplechase 5K & 1-Mile Walk

Mark your calendars for the **Steeplechase 5K Run and 1-Mile Walk on Saturday, June 13 at 8:00am during Springfield Days!** This fun, family-friendly event welcomes runners and walkers of all ages and abilities.



Online registration is open now! Sign up to race or walk by scanning the QR code or by going to www.stjosephspringfield.org/steeplechase.

Lace up, show up, and help us run for a cause that matters!!



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

In his first speech on the streets of Jerusalem, Peter quotes Psalms 16 as proof of God's promise to David in raising Jesus from the dead. Have you ever made a promise to God?

Second Reading

In the resurrection of Jesus, Peter urges us to have our faith and hope in God. What is something you could hope for from God this week?

Gospel Reading

Jesus' interpretation of Scripture opened the eyes of the two disciples. Does reading the Bible bring you clarity?

Live The Liturgy

Like Cleopas, we make our way through this world with weary feet and disappointed hearts. Christ falls into step beside us. He can open our eyes. Will we let him?

Save the Date: VBS Rainforest Falls 2026



Join us for VBS Rainforest Falls, happening **June 22nd–June 26th from 1:30pm to 4:30pm at St. Joseph's!** Sign your children up today for a wild and faith-filled week!

We are also in need of adult and youth volunteers to help make VBS as fun and spirit-filled as possible. Please head over to the website and check out the positions that are needed.



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



ENOA Resource Table and Presentation

Caring for aging family members now or in the future can be challenging without knowing what is available in the community. Joining us on **May 16 & 17 after each of the masses** will be Kailey Edelman, Director of Community Engagement/ADRC, from the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging. She will have a resource table set-up in the social hall and will be available for questions.

Ladies Guild and Knights of Columbus Scholarship Winners

The Ladies' Guild is pleased to award scholarships to two deserving students. Emerson Osborn will receive a \$1,500 scholarship, and Kaelynn Harder will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Congratulations to our Knights of Columbus scholarship recipients, Kelsey Haynes- Biernbaum Scholarship \$1,500, Morgan Quinn- K of C Daughters of Isabella Scholarship \$1,000 and Elijah Turco Knights of Columbus Scholarship \$1,000.

They will be recognized before the 9:00 a.m. Mass on May 3. Congratulations to Emerson, Kaelynn, Kelsey, Morgan, and Elijah. Please pray for their journey ahead!

St. Joseph Business Directory

Let's strengthen our parish community by supporting one another and choosing the businesses and services of our fellow parishioners whenever possible. You can find a paper list in the narthex or online under "About" on the parish's website. If you would like to add your business to the parish business directory, please reach out to Amanda Staroscik.

PASTOR.....**Father Scott Hastings**
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 402.827.3854 - Office

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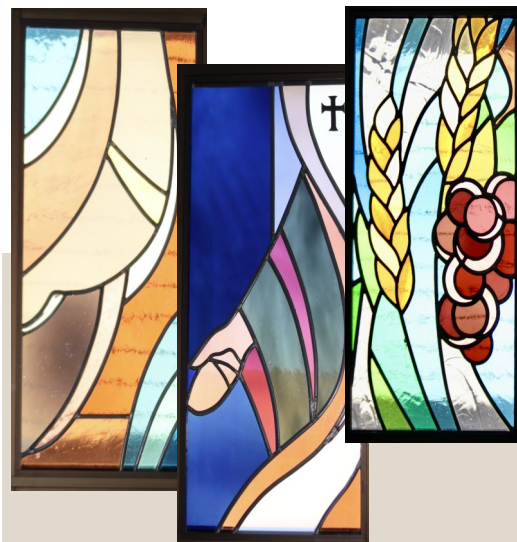
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR & SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR.....**Sherry Huntwork**
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PRAYER CHAIN & CARE CHAIN CONTACT.....**Julie Richards**
 402.881.2407

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 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

Our May Charity Drive will support the essential work of the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging (ENOA), which serves older adults in our community. You can help by donating much-needed everyday items to assist those they serve.

Requested items: small laundry soap, dish soap, hand soap, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, Walmart gift cards, and Hy-Vee gift cards.



Every women of the parish is already a part of the Ladies Guild. If you would like to receive Flocknote messages or emails about upcoming opportunities and events, scan the QR code.

