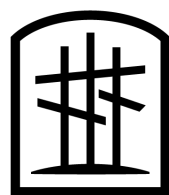


Sunday, August 9th

Nineteenth 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:

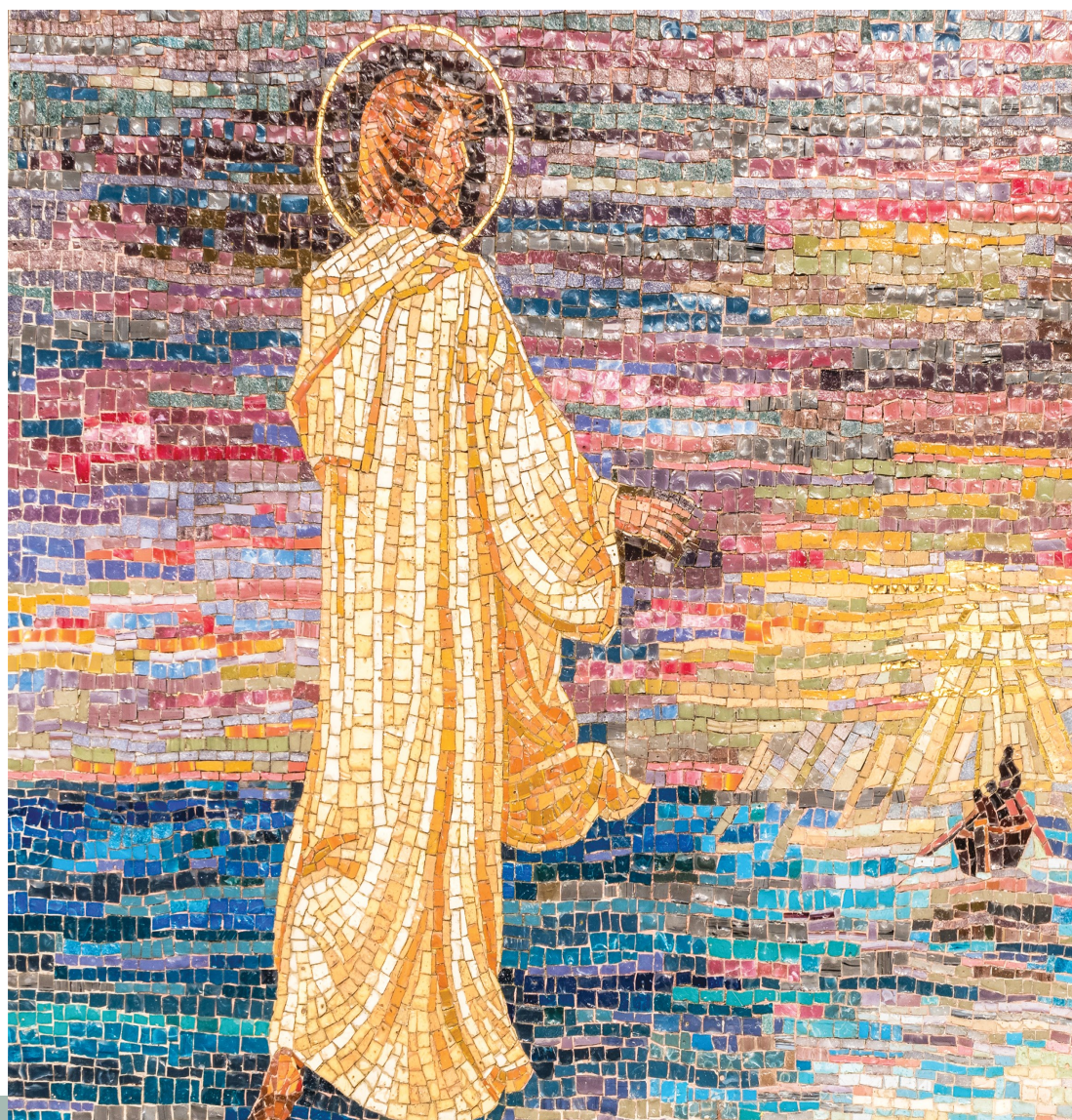
Please check the parish website.

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.



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. “It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, ‘Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.’” - Mt. 14: 26-27

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Remember in our Prayers

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

Mowing Volunteers Needed!

As summer continues, we are still looking for volunteers to help mow the St. Joseph Church campus throughout the remainder of the mowing season.

If you are able to help with mowing, please sign up on the paper schedule located on the credenza in the church entryway. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Ralph Meister at 402-707-8426.



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who helped with our fair booth. We had a successful year, especially with the good weather. This is a huge benefit to the Knights of Columbus, who will spend the rest of the year giving away the proceeds.

Next weekend, Archbishop McGovern will be here for Confirmation at the 9am Mass. It is also donut Sunday. Please pray for those being confirmed!

Best,
Fr. Scott

A Call to Prayer for Our Parish

As St. Joseph Parish continues to move forward with plans for the future of our parish, we invite every parishioner to be part of this journey through prayer. We encourage you to offer a Rosary each month, asking the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph to intercede for our parish, our clergy, our volunteers, our benefactors, and all those involved in the work ahead. Whether you pray at home, while taking a walk, during your daily routine, or in the quiet of our church, every prayer is a beautiful offering that unites us as one parish family.

If you would like to pray together with fellow parishioners, join us for a guided Rosary on the second Tuesday of each month at St. Joseph Church.

May all that we do as a parish be guided by the Holy Spirit and offered for the honor and glory of God the Father. Through the intercession of Mary and St. Joseph, may our parish continue to be a place where Christ is known, loved, and served for generations to come.



2030 PROJECT

50 YEARS

BUILDING TODAY. MOVING FAITH FORWARD.

Mass Intentions

SUN 8/9	7:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.	+	Alan Kreifels
MON 8/10	8:00 a.m.	+	Brenda Jones
TUE 8/11	6:45 a.m.	+	Paul & Mary Wenzl
WED 8/12	6:45 a.m.	+	Karen Ficenec
TH 8/13	6:45 a.m.	+	Kurt Pfeifer
FRI 8/14	6:45 a.m.	+	Loretta DeMarco
SAT 8/15	5:00 p.m.	+	Rich VanTassell
SUN 8/16	7:00 a.m.		People of St. Joseph
	9:00 a.m.	+	Kurt Pfeifer

Mass intentions may be requested for a suggested offering of \$10; please contact Sharon VanTassell in the parish office to schedule.

“MY HEART
WOULD
SINK BUT
FOR THE FIRM
CONVICTION
THAT GOD'S
WORD CAN
NEVER FAIL.”

- ST. MARY MACKILLOP

AUSTRALIAN RELIGIOUS SISTERS

Weekly Collections

Weekend of July 25/26

Building Fund.....\$695.00
Offertory.....\$5,176.00

Liturgy Ministers for the Weekend of August 15/16

Saturday 8/15 @ 5:00 PM

Greeters: Kathleen Pratt/Jeff Kreifels
Lectors: John Cronican/Marla Kildow
EMHC: Kari Cronican

Sunday 8/16 @ 7:00 AM

Beth Anderson
JoAnn Swanson

Sunday 8/16 @ 9:00 AM

Justin & Julie Nieveen
Amy Krance-Wendt/Joe Boro
Deb Vacek/Carol Rath

*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.

Parish Events and Formation

- **Confirmation practice after all weekend Masses**
- **Sunday, Aug. 9th** - HS boys and girls bible study groups
- **Tuesday, Aug. 11th** - Ladies Guild Meeting @ 7pm (Guided Rosary @ 6:30pm)
- **Sunday, Aug. 16th** - Confirmation @ 9am Mass (parish breakfast to follow in hall)

Religious Education 2026-2027

Summer is quickly coming to an end, and before the busyness of a new school year takes over, we encourage you to register your children for Religious Education today. Faith is first learned and lived at home, and our Religious Education programs are here to support parents in helping their children know, love, and follow Jesus in their daily lives.

We offer two faith formation options beginning in September—Traditional Religious Education (TRE) and Family Formation (FF)—so you can choose the program that best fits your family's needs.

Join us as we kick off the new year with our **Beginning of the RE Year Bash on Wednesday, September 9!** We'll begin with **5:30 p.m. Mass**, followed by **supper, games, and time to relax and connect with other parishioners and friends.**

Don't wait until the last minute—scan the QR code and register today.



Radiant & Unfading: A Journey Through the Book of Wisdom

Join us for a **14-week Bible study on the Book of Wisdom!** Come explore this beautiful book of Scripture and discover how its timeless teachings can deepen your faith and guide us in living wisely in today's world. We will meet on Sundays starting on September 13th either at 10:15am or 6:30pm in the RE building. Meeting time and location will be confirmed after signing up.

All are welcome! A sign-up sheet is available in the **narthex**. We hope you'll join us for this opportunity to grow in faith and understanding together!



Service Opportunity: Nebraska Diaper Bank

Looking for a simple way to put your faith into action? Join us on **Saturday, August 22, from 9:30–11:30 a.m.** as other St. Joseph parishioners volunteer at the Nebraska Diaper Bank, 9090 F Street.

This is a wonderful opportunity to serve families in need while working alongside fellow parishioners. Come experience the joy of giving your time and helping provide a basic necessity to families in our community.

To volunteer, you will need to be 12 years of old. If you would like to participate, please contact Amanda Staroscik at amanda@stjosephspringfield.org.

Join American Heritage Girls St. Columbille Troop 1877

Looking for a fun, faith-filled opportunity for your daughter? American Heritage Girls (AHG) provides girls in Kindergarten through age 18 the chance to experience new adventures, serve others, make lasting friendships, and grow in their Christian faith.

Learn more at their **Information Night on Wednesday, August 26, at 6:00 p.m.** at **St. Columbille Church Social Level**. For more information or to join, email ahgtroop1877@gmail.com.

Thank you for giving your time and talents at the Food Booth!

Everyone's hard work, joyful spirit, and willingness to jump in wherever needed were such a gift at the food booth last week!

Because of your generosity, St. Joseph Parish and the Knights of Columbus were able to welcome thousands of fairgoers and serve more than 4,300 meals throughout the week.

A heartfelt thank you to the 137 volunteers who generously gave a combined 892 hours to make the Food Booth a success.

Thank you for serving, giving, and making it all possible!



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

Elijah finds the Lord not in the wind, earthquake or fire, but in a light, silent sound. When or where do you hear God's voice?

Second Reading

Paul grieves over the unbelief of his fellow Jews. How can you help family members or friends who do not believe in Jesus?

Gospel Reading

Peter musters the courage to step out onto the water when Jesus calls him. What are some fears the Lord could help you face?

Live The Liturgy

In the midst of life's greatest storms, Jesus comes to us, but we may not recognize him. We may test him. In doing so, he will test us—and likely, we will fail. But when we falter, his saving hand is there.

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 Laurel Zielinski (402.933.7554) or Sue Knott (402.253.8432)

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Deacon Terry 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 PRESIDENTJulie 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.

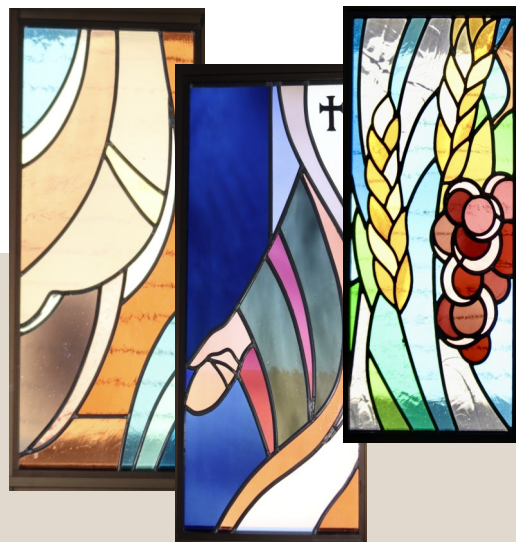
Parish Directory

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

August Charity Drive – Blessing Bags

Throughout the month of August, the Ladies Guild will be collecting items to assemble Blessing Bags for those in need. Donations of travel-sized shampoo, lotion, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, Band-Aids, deodorant, combs, disposable razors, and other travel-sized personal hygiene items are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!



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.

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.

