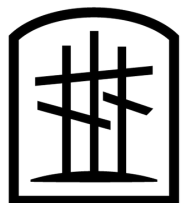


Sunday, August 16th

Twentieth 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.....8AM

~Please check the weekend
bulletin for daily Mass
changes

CONFESSIONS:

30 minutes before daily
Masses and 45 minutes
before weekend Masses

HOLY DAYS:

Please check the parish website
and weekend bulletin for Mass
times on Holy Days

Thank you for your tithing!

Your financial givings
are vital to the well
being of our parish
and ministries. Scan
the QR code to give
your tithing online.



20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying,
"Lord, help me." - Mt. 15:25*

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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.

Please prayer for the repose of the soul of Marylyn Dorner who passed away last week. Her funeral service will be Friday, August 14th at 11am with a visitation starting at 10am.

May perpetual light shine upon her.

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 can help with mowing, please sign up on the paper schedule located on the credenza in the church entryway.

**COME Holy Spirit**

Heavenly Father, we lift up to You our Confirmation candidates as they prepare to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Braxton Beck
Nick Boyle
Reagan Brown
Jameson Holzapfel
Logan Johnson
MacKenzie Kucirek
Isla Noda
Mason Schram
Aaron Steenbock
Paisley White
Kinsley White
Grant Meister-Colborn

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of our candidates and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Amen.

Weekly Collections

Weekend of August 9/10

Building Fund.....\$1,740.00
Offertory.....\$4,419.00

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

A number of folks have asked why we didn't have a holy day Mass for the Assumption on 8/15. By long practice, when a holy day falls on Saturday, the obligation to attend Mass is set aside (or "abrogated") The only exceptions to that are Christmas and the Immaculate Conception of Mary, since the latter is our national feast day.

Thanks to Archbishop McGovern for coming this weekend for Confirmation, and to all of those who assisted in the formation of our young people to receive the sacrament!

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

**2030 PROJECT**

50 YEARS

BUILDING TODAY. MOVING FAITH FORWARD.

Thank you to everyone who has made their pledges to the 2030 Project. If you decided to make monthly/quarterly/annual payments on your pledge, please place your check in a campaign envelope. A container with envelopes has been installed next to the parish office. Please use the envelope to help us with our record keeping and drop your payment in the secure mailbox in the parish office door. To help us with our record keeping, please do not use the collection basket. When you receive your envelopes for November, you will begin receiving a green envelope that you may use for your pledge payments

As always, you can find more information and updates on the campaign and construction on St. Joseph's website page www.stjosephspringfield.org under "Building Expansion Project" in the main menu.

Mass Intentions

Sun. 8/16	7:00a.m.	People of St. Joseph
	9:00a.m. +	Kurt Pfeifer
Mon. 8/17	8:00a.m. +	Myron Ondracek
Tue. 8/18	6:45a.m. +	Mick Kreifels
Wed. 8/19	6:45a.m. +	Steven Kotlarz
Thurs. 8/20	6:45a.m. +	Gary Scheibel
Fri. 8/21	6:45a.m. +	Brenda Jones
Sat. 8/22	5:00p.m. +	Fred & Shirley Krejci
Sun. 8/23	7:00a.m.	People of St. Joseph
	9:00a.m. +	Gary Scheibel

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

Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of August**Saturday 8/22 @ 5:00 PM**

Greeters: Deb Hoskins/Danette Thibault
Lectors: Ken Patry/Sharon VanTassell
EMHC: Amy Krance-Wendt
Singers:

Sunday 8/23 @ 7:00 AM

Mike Kalin
Rosemary Garcey

Sunday 8/23 @ 9:00 AM

Kevin & Angie Carlson
Jeff Needels/Teresa Belter
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

- **Sunday, 9/16** -Confirmation @ 9am Mass (Breakfast in Parish Hall to follow)
- HS boys & girls Bible Study @ 6:30pm
- **Wednesday, 9/19** -Senior Game Day @ 1pm
- **Friday - Sunday** -CGS Level 1 Training 9am - 4:30pm in the RE building
- **Saturday, 9/22** -Nebraska Diaper Bank Service opportunity @ 9:30am - 11:30am

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 RE programs are here to support parents in helping their children know, love and follow Jesus in their daily lives.

Families may choose from two faith formation options, both running from September through May:

• **Traditional Religious Education (TRE)** meets weekly on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-7:30 PM. Children gather with others in their grade level and are guided by dedicated catechists as they explore Scripture, prayer, the sacraments, and the teachings of our Catholic Faith

• **Family Formation (FF)** meets once each month, typically on the second Wednesday, from 5:30-7:30 PM. Families begin with a shared meal and then participate in faith formation together. Through teaching, discussion, and hands-on activities led by Fr. Scott, parents and children learn and grow side-by-side.



Scan the QR code to register!

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

St. Joseph's Youth Group

All high school students are warmly invited to join our Youth Group! Together, we'll grow in faith through Bible studies, discussions, Lectio Divina, guest speakers, fellowship, and works of mercy—all while building friendships and growing closer to Christ. **Our first gathering will be a special field trip to ONE at the CHI Center on Sunday, August 23, from 4:30-8:00 PM.** We'll meet at St. Joseph at 3:45 PM to carpool; a Field Trip Waiver must be completed in order to attend. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this journey of faith together! For more information or to join, email Kelly Johnson at tkjohnson2223@gmail.com.

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!

A Call to Prayer for our parish

As St. Joseph Parish moves forward with plans for the future, we invite every parishioner to join in prayer for our parish, clergy, volunteers, benefactors, and all those involved in the work ahead. We encourage each parishioner to offer a Rosary each month, whether at home, during daily activities, or in our church, asking the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph to intercede for us. Those who wish to pray together are invited to join the guided Rosary on the second Tuesday of each month at St. Joseph Church. May the Holy Spirit guide all that we do, and 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.



Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The Lord reveals to Isaiah that He desires a house of prayer for all peoples. Do you see your faith community being open to outsiders?

Second Reading

Paul sees how God used Israel's unbelief in Jesus as an opportunity to extend His mercy to the Gentiles. Have you ever shown mercy to someone in an unexpected way?

Gospel Reading

The canaanite woman is persistent with Jesus to heal her demon-possessed daughter, and so he does. When have you felt heard by Jesus?

Live The Liturgy

The Canaanite woman did not take Jesus' initial refusal as rejection, but as an invitation to engage with God, to show him the depth of her faith. When our prayers are not answered as we wish, will we have the courage to do the same?

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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 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
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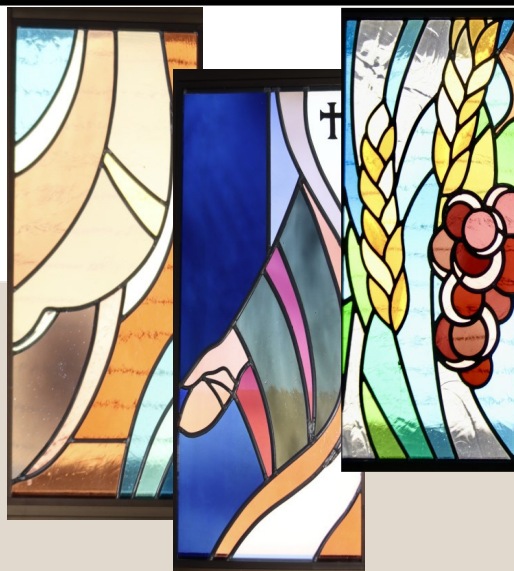
Bulletin Submissions

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 corrections or updates, 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 parishioner can contact Fr. Scott directly for baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

6 months 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.

Monthly Charity Drive | Sponsored by the Ladies' Guild

Our August Charity Drive will focus on travel-sized toiletries and personal care items for families in Macy and Walhill. Donations of small shampoo, soap, baby wipes, toothpaste, deodorant, etc. are items that are not typically included in the monthly food pantry distributions. These will be packaged into Ziploc bags to hand out at the October mobile food pantry event. We are hoping to make 250 bags.

Thank you for your continued generosity of the Ladies' Guild charity drives!

Every woman 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.

