

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

February 2, 2009

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### Mass Schedule

For Sunday Obligation— Saturday 5:30 pm;  
Sunday 8:00 am & 11:00 am

**Weekdays & Holy Days** As published in the bulletin

### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 pm—5:00 pm  
Weekdays 20 minutes before Mass;  
Thursday before First Friday 7-9 pm  
or by appointment

### Baptism

Parents are asked to attend a baptism preparation class. This is recommended, and easiest to do before the birth of the child, but must be done before the baptism.

### Matrimony

To assist those who plan to marry, all couples will be required to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation policy, which includes the FOCCUS and Engaged Encounter Programs. This requires a minimum of 4-6 months. Contact the pastor early to begin the marriage preparation process.

### Anointing of the Sick

Individual celebration upon request prior to surgery or hospitalization

### Holy Communion

For homebound and those recovering from illness, contact the Rectory.



## EDUCATION

### St. Joseph Catholic School (Preschool— 8th Grade)

428 East Avenue—402-362-3021

**Office Hours:** 7:30 am—3:30 pm

**Head Teacher:** Anne Driewer

**Secretary:** Cindy Rowland

### C.C.D. Program

In St. Joseph School, Preschool—8  
Sunday, 9:15 am—10:45 am.

### Godparent Program

Religious education for youth in grades  
9-12, Wed., 7:30-8:30 pm.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

(For those interested in possibly joining the Catholic Church.) Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 pm in the Mandeville Hall. Please contact the parish office for more information.

### Adult Education

Special classes throughout the year.  
Watch the bulletin for announcements.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Office 362-4595

In the Rectory, 505 East Avenue,  
Office Hours 9:00 am—Noon, 1:00-4:00 pm, Mon.-Fri.

### Parish Secretary Sue Svoboda

### Kitchen in Mandeville Hall 362-3605

### Convent 362-5860 Franciscan Apostolic Sisters

### Bulletin Deadline

All material is to be submitted to the parish office by Thursday prior to the Sunday it is to appear.

### New or Moving Parishioners

Please call the parish office to arrange an appointment with the Pastor to register in the Parish. Please call the parish office to notify us of any address change.

**Your Will** Ask your attorney to include remembrance of your Church and School in your will.

### Religious Vocations

Any young woman interested in religious life, or young man interested in a vocation to the priesthood should contact your pastor. Please pray for vocations.

*For more details of Parish Groups or Committees and Parish Activities and Opportunities for Spiritual Growth, visit with our Priest and ask for a Parish Directory.*

### Lay Ministry Assignments February 7/8, 2009

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Gayle Kloewer	Ron Makovicka	Elizabeth King
ACOL	Dave Dickey	Mike Murphy	Dave Bartek
ACOL	Ken Heinz	Dale Schoening	Dave Langner
SERV	Michael Heinz	Jordan Walz	Jordan Dravitzki
SERV	Nathan Heinz	Cody Brown	Cole Johnson
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
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MUS	Alex Heinz	Laurie Burns	Chris & Rachel
MUS	Ruth Ann Weill		Chavanau
USHR	Bob Burnham	Mark Neville	Gary & Joan
USHR	Larry McCall	Scott Walz	Groteluschen
GRET			
GRET			
OFFR	Mick & Kelly Kirsch	Kelly Brooke Family	Matt Leif Family
ROSR	John Quinlan	Maria Olsen	Dave Bartek

# February 2, 2009

## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### INTENTION

Mon	Feb. 2	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Carmen Beaver+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Kathryn Kirkpatrick+
Tues	Feb. 3	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Harry & Hanna Conrad+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Sophie Kosmicki+
Wed	Feb. 4	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Marlen Lubert+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	David Taylor+
Thurs	Feb. 5	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Lori McLain+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of John & Brenda Kowalski
Fri	Feb. 6	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Donna Loveless+
<b>First Friday</b>		8:10 am	St. Joseph	John Smith+
		10:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Feb. 7	8:00 am	Church	Our Lady's Pro-Life Intention
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	Vern & Chuck Heinz+
<b>In Spanish</b>		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Feb. 8	8:00 am	St. Joseph	Jodi Weiler+
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish

**Eucharistic Adoration And Confessions** before First Friday, on Thursday, February 5 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed the altar at 7:00 p.m. followed by some prayers. Then confessions will heard until 7:50 p.m. then we will close with Benediction at 7:55. Please come spend some time in prayer before our Eucharistic Lord. O Come Let Us Adore Him!

**Feast of St. Blase:** Feb. 3rd is the Feast of St. Blase. Traditionally, St. Blase who is the associated with the healing of throats, is invoked by way of a blessing given with crossed candles with the words: **Through the intercession of St. Blase, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and every other illness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.** Those receiving the blessing should make the sign of the cross at the end. We will be blessing throats after the school Mass on Wednesday, and after all the Masses next weekend, February 7 & 8.

**SOUTHERN NEBRASKA REGISTER**...February is Catholic Press Month. Please use the envelope in your packets and return your **\$15.00 subscription fee** in the regular collection. Every registered family in the parish as of January 1 should be getting the Register by mail. Please contact the Rectory if you are NOT receiving the Register.

**PANCAKE FEED NEXT SUNDAY - FEB. 8:** Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with Boy Scout Sunday. Serving in Cullen Hall from 9am - 1 pm. Enjoy their pancakes, blueberry pancakes, sausage, ham, juice & coffee. Free will donations will go to Boy Scout Troop 174.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS:** In addition to the Stations of the Cross, we would like to fill all the hours in our perpetual adoration program so that we have someone praying before the Blessed Sacrament in our church 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We will also be offering a book on the different types of prayer for those who are interested in joining a small discussion group for a weekly meeting during Lent. There will be sign-up sheets on the tables in the narthex of the church for both of these opportunities for spiritual growth, which will begin on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 25).

**VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU** to St. Joseph's Athletic Club and Catholic Daughters and their committees for organizing another successful year of Crossroads Basketball Tournaments. Also **THANK YOU** to the many, many parishioners that helped with ticket sales, concessions, etc. Your time and effort is very important & profitable to our Parish and School.

### OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

January 25, 2009 were

Adult Envelopes .....	\$5,060.16
Gift of Grain .....	\$5,499.03
Plate .....	\$94.91
Youth .....	\$54.10
Mass in Spanish .....	\$46.14
Sister Support .....	\$220.00
School Support.....	\$305.00
Initial Offering .....	\$20.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$11,299.34</b>
<b>CHURCH BUILDING FUND .....</b>	<b>\$905.00</b>

## Pray for Holy Marriages

### MEETINGS

**St. Joseph's Pitch Group:** Sunday, Feb. 1 at 7:00 p.m.—Mandeville Hall  
**Knights of Columbus**...Regular monthly meeting, Monday, February 2 at 8:00 pm at the Knights Hall.

**Legion of Mary:** meets in the Mandeville Hall each Monday at 5:30pm.

**Bible Study:** Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

**Godparent Classes** - Meet on Wednesdays from 7:30—8:30 p.m.

**Adult Education Classes:** Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

**Altar Society**...Regular monthly meeting Friday, February 6 - 9 a.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

**Church Cleaning**...Next Saturday, February 7 (first Saturday of the Month) - beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Mandeville Hall. —all are invited to help.

**C.C.D. Classes** are held on Sundays, from 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the School Classrooms.

**Snow Removal** - 2/2 through 2/8 - **Crew #1:** Tim Gardner, Ron Haarmann, Josh Gregg, Scott Johnson, John Wilmes, Ed Larkin.

**THANK YOU**...Thanks to all those who were here moving snow last week. It is greatly appreciated. May the good Lord bless your gift of time and talent to him.

**Please Pray For:** Doris Kennedy, Bernard Walford, Merle Lessig, Karla (Thomas) Holmes, Bill Raun, Sid Salzman, Dean Wilcox, Marge Lyons, Maxine Osentowski, Matthew Leach, James Rerucha, Dennis Kear, Larry Bowman Sr., Marites Pascua, Joan Mulinix, Kayley Mae Gregg, Theresia VanOstrand, Cyndi Fagot, Luella Brinker, Michael Runyan, Susan Obispo, Gina Geiger, Mitch Wambold, Richard Eichmeier, Sonya Charlton, Fr. Larry Gyhra, Diane Thomas, Dennis Scamehorn, Don Olsen, Dave Vasquez, Tim Devlin, Don Neville, Marietta Medinger, Jerry Olson, Jim Berry, Mary Jo McGowan, Jerry Klein, Rachel Delaney, Bob Sylvester, Lucille Kuzelka, Roswitha Crissman, Margaret Geiger, Matthew Schmeackle, Mary Ann Hourigan, Ina Fae Homes, Nick Jacketti, Helen O'Brien, Edna Edgerley, William & Joan Runyan, George Zavodny Jr., lone Liggett, Kathleen Roesener, John Olsen, Dennis Neville, Military Personnel, all the unborn children & their parents, pro-life legislation. If you or someone you know would like our parish family to join you in prayer for special needs, please contact the Rectory.

**Pray for the Dead**...Let us remember in our prayers: Bruce Bernt, Jodi Weiler, James Quinn, Rick Fyfe (brother of Judy Thomas), Carmen Beaver, Howard Olson (father of Christy Monnier), Lillian Evans.

**Welcome**...to the family of God through the waters of Baptism. On January 17, Britney Yackelin Hernandez-Rodriguez, daughter of Carlos & Rocio (Rodriguez) Hernandez, on January 18 Aaron Michael Morner, infant son of Bradly & Patricia (Hain) Morner, and on January 24, Makeisha Jimenez-Reyes, daughter of Angel & Yanet (Reyes) Jimenez. Congratulations to the parents.

**Altar Society Dues:** Thank you to those who have paid their \$5.00. For those who have not yet paid, you may put any envelope marked "Altar Society Dues" in the collection or send to the church office. Every woman in the parish is automatically a member of the Altar Society and we pay dues to the deanery for each woman who belongs even if you are unable to be an active member. If possible, please let us hear from you.

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

St. Joseph School has been collecting crushed aluminum cans as a service project during Catholic Schools Week. The money earned through recycling will be donated to Habitat for Humanity. If you have any crushed cans you would like to donate, please bring them to the front of the school by Wednesday morning. Thank you!

**Pot O'Gold School Benefit**...Saturday, March 21, 2009 — mark your calendars and plan to attend. This year's theme is "**Americana**". If any parishioners have possible items for decorating in the "Americana" theme (example—decorative street signs, baseball memorabilia, toy car collection, license plates etc.) please contact Sara Erwin 362-5987.

**LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA (LCM):** Many members of our parish have been enlightened and inspired by listening to the free CD's that are available in the narthex of the church. We have recently received 20 new titles of CD's covering many different subjects that should be of interest to the members of our parish. Although there is a request for a \$3 donation for each CD to sustain the program, it is more important to deepen your faith by listening to the CD's whether you make a donation or not. Please take advantage of the opportunity to enrich your faith by picking up a CD and listening to it.

**C.D.A. Scholarship**...A \$500.00 scholarship is available to all graduating male and female school seniors of St. Joseph Parish who plan to further their education. Selection is not based upon gender, but is based upon high morals, character, academics (85% average or above), financial need, leadership and Parish and/or community involvement. Applications are available at the Church Office and **must be submitted by March 31, 2009**.

**The Catholic Coffee House**.....Final presentation, February 8, 6:30 — 8 p.m., with Jim Jensen Director of FOCUS at UNL presenting, "Evangelizing as Missionaries Today." Session includes prayer, presentation, Q & A time and dessert (with coffee, of course!) there is no fee and no registration required. Questions? Please call (402) 786-2705.

**Schedule for RETREATS:** Consider giving yourself or your spouse a gift in the form of a Retreat.

### **February**

6-8 Fr. Michael McCabe Women  
20-22 Fr. Leo Kosch Men & Women

You may call the Retreat House at 402-786-2705 or email [goodcounsel@cdolinc.net](mailto:goodcounsel@cdolinc.net) in order to make a reservation for one of these. The retreat begins on Friday evening at 8:15pm and ends on Sunday at 1:00pm. Brochures with the complete schedule are available in the pocket of the Retreat House display on the Church Bulletin Board.

**Seminarians**... Each week everyone in our diocese is asked to pray in a special way for one seminarian. This week will be for **Shawn Koranda**.

## **NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE**

**Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP)** Tuesday, February 3, Monday, February 16 and Thursday, February 26 at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Call 488-2040.

**Project Rachel**—for help and hope in healing from a past abortion, call Project Rachel at 1-800-964-3787. There are two flyers in the pocket of the Project Rachel display on the Church bulletin board that you may take for yourself or someone you know who may benefit from them.

**Divorced, Separated and Widowed**...Catholics are invited to a special Mass sponsored by the Family Life Office on Monday, February 2, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Confessions: 7 p.m. Mass: 7:30 p.m. The presentation after Mass will be "Christ Our Light".

**Choose Life**...Seeing in an ultrasound the unborn child she is carrying has been a powerful influence on women contemplating abortion. One study showed 75.5 percent of undecided women decided not to have an abortion after viewing her baby's ultrasound. (*the southern cross*, August, 2008)

**Marriage Saving- the Post Session Phase**— The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. For confidential information about, or to register for the February program beginning with a weekend on February 20-22, 2009, call 1-888-317-5654 or [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) on the web

**MAGNIFICAT**...will host a prayer meal on Saturday morning, February 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Beacon Hills-County Inn Suites, 5353 N. 27th St. Lincoln. Carol Murphy of Crete will share the joys and trials of being a wife, mother of four, and grandmother of 14. To register sent **\$15.00** check payable to *Magnificat* to Barb Bechtolt, 5500 L St., Lincoln, NE 68510. **Student price \$10.00**. Deadline February 18. Be an evangelist, invite your friends and family!

**Teens Encounter Christ Retreat (11th & 12th Grade Students):** The TEC retreat provides an opportunity for late teens and young adults to experience a real deepening of their faith and an opportunity to meet others from across our Diocese who have similar interests. It begins on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. The cost is \$70.00 although no one will be turned away for an inability to pay. Because of the popularity of these retreats there is usually a deadline for signup to accommodate a waiting list. There are three retreats remaining for this school year: TEC #65 is February 14—16 at Wahoo, NE; TEC #66 is April 18—20 at McCook, NE; and TEC #67 is June 6—8 at David City, NE. **The deadline for the February 14-16 is January 29, 2009**. Retreat applications are available at the rectory or we can mail one to you.

**QUEST RETREAT (9th & 10th Grade Students):** QUEST is a retreat for young Catholics between the ages of 14-16 who are freshman and sophomores in high school. The name "QUEST" implies "searching for" and "seeking out." The retreat begins at 9:30 a.m. on Sat. morning and ends at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. The cost is \$40.00, although no one will be turned away for an inability to pay. There are two more Quest retreats this school year, Feb. 7-8 and April 4-5. **The Feb. 7-8 is going to be held right here at St. Joseph in York** (April 4-5 retreat will be in Wahoo). With the retreat here in York, this is a great opportunity for our 9th & 10th graders to join other young people from our Diocese for an overnight retreat to deepen their faith. Applications may be obtained at the rectory or call and we will mail one to you. Parents, please encourage your sons and daughters to attend one of these retreats.

**St. Stephen's (Exeter) Mardi Gras Gala**...February 21, 2009 at the Exeter Legion Hall. Social hour, live music, silent and live auctions, dinner and dance. Advance tickets for the dinner and auction are required at a cost of \$25.00 per person and may be purchased from Mark & Meg Becker (402-266-8461). For more information contact: Bob & Pat Becker 402-266-4451. More information on Church Bulletin Board.