

St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

February 8, 2009

Fifth 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 14/15, 2009

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Joe McCluskey	Joe Morris	Doreen Luethje
ACOL	Tom Huff	Dave Geiger	Ron Haarmann
ACOL	Tom Walter	Orval Stahr	Stave Taylor
SERV	Thomas Friend	Noah Dorcey	Issac Driewer
SERV	Lane Meier	Matt Hansen	Abraham Driewer
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
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MUS	Dravitzki	Dave Hying	Abby Haarmann
MUS	Family	Ruth Weitl	Gayle Kloewer
USHR	Dean Fredericks	Gary McDaniel	John Romohr
USHR	Tom Ritzdorf	Gene Troutman	Larry McCall
GRET			
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OFFR	Gail Stratman Family	Ron Makovicka Family	Ron Haarmann Family
ROSR	Diane Torson	Cathy Ochs	Marie Olsen

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

INTENTION

Mon	Feb. 9	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Mary Steffen+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Don Votava
		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Tues	Feb. 10	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Lori McLain+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Elizabeth Conroy
Wed	Feb. 11	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Richard Loveless
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Jodi Weiler+
Thurs	Feb. 12	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Kathy Jueden
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Felix Dodunski+
Fri	Feb. 13	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Marlen Luber+
First Friday		8:10 am	St. Joseph	L & D Members of LeRoy & Joyce Baker
		0:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Feb. 14	8:00 am	Church	Poor Souls of LeRoy & Estelle Fay
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	Arnold & Dorothy Grabowski+
In Spanish		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Feb. 15	8:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	Morris Thorne+

PANCAKE FEED SUNDAY - TODAY: 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.

FISH FRY ...Every Friday, beginning February 20 through April 3, 2009. Serving from 5:00-7:30 p.m. in Cullen Hall. All-you-can-eat Fish, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, bread, coffee and tea.

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).

Spirit Catholic Radio is on the air!!...Tune into Spirit **102.7 FM** and experience the life-changing message of the Gospel, the proclamation of Catholic Church teachings, and get a fresh, moral perspective on critical issues and events. Join More than 1.5 million other people within a 100 mile radius of Lincoln and Omaha by listening to Spirit **102.7 FM**. If you would like more information, wish to make a tax deductible contribution, or explore advertising opportunities, contact John Soukup at 489-1005 or e-mail john@kvss.com, or visit www.kvss.com.

THANK YOU...to all who participated in the FOCA (freedom of Choice Act) postcard campaign. So far 622 postcards have been mailed to our legislators. There are still postcards available in the back of the church for anyone who may have missed signing them. A special THANK YOU to the Knights of Columbus who so generously funded the postage.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: This weekend we are celebrating World Marriage Day sponsored by the Worldwide Marriage Encounter. We want to offer our prayers and blessing on all those in our parish who have been called to the vocation of marriage. May we continue to see the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ for his Bride the Church by the witness of sacrificial love of those in the covenant of marriage

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

February 1, 2009 were

Adult Envelopes	\$6,787.00
Gift of Grain	\$1,714.29
Plate	\$105.00
Youth	\$45.37
Mass in Spanish	\$71.00
Sister Support	\$380.00
School Support.....	\$437.00
Initial Offering	\$35.00
TOTAL.....	\$9,574.66
CHURCH BUILDING FUND	\$4,283.50

Pray for Holy Marriages

MEETINGS

High School Youth Choir...Practice, Sunday, (today) at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Chris and Rachel Chavanu—362-7086

Catholic Daughters....Induction of new members at the 7 p.m. Mass on Monday night followed by a Reception & meeting Mandeville 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.

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

Snow Removal – 2/9 through 2/15 – **Crew #2:** Bill Hoffman, Terry Huff, Matt Lief, Stave Taylor, Dan Malleck, Allen Heng, Steve Neujahr.

Please Pray For: Doris Kennedy, Bernard Walford, Merle Lessig, Karla (Thomas) Holmes, Bill Raun, Sid Salzman, Dean Wilcox, Marge Lyons, Maxine Osentowski, Matthew Leach, 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., Ione Liggett, Kathleen Roeseener, 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: James Rerucha, Bruce Bernt, Jodi Weiler, James Quinn, Rick Fyfe (brother of Judy Thomas), Carmen Beaver, Howard Olson (father of Christy Monnier), Lillian Evans.

2008 CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are in the Church vestibule, please help us save on postage by taking yours. Any questions please call the Church Office 362-4595. Thank You

Reminder CDA and Altar Society ladies, please remember to take your pies to the RED CROSS Bloodmobile on Monday, Feb. 9th. Questions? contact Granada 362-3518

MEALS ON WHEELS...St. Joseph parish is in charge of delivering meals during the month of March. Your help is needed. To volunteer, please call Carmen McKenny 362-5069.

SCHOOL NEWS

Runza Night...Tuesday, February 10 is Runza Night Out (South location) from 5—9 p.m.

Kindergarten Round-up for St. Joseph School will be Thursday, February 12, at 1:00 in the school library. All parents of children who will be five by October 15, 2009, are encouraged to attend. Please call the school at 362-3021 if you have any questions.

Thanks to all who supported Wendy's night in January. St. Joseph School received a check for \$60.28.

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, TODAY, 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

20-22 Fr. Leo Kosch Men & Women

You may call the Retreat House at 402-786-2705 or email 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.

Seminarists... Each week everyone in our diocese is asked to pray in a special way for one seminarian. This week will be for **Caleb John LaRue.**

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP) 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.

Choose Life ... Protection of innocent human life is not an imposition of personal conviction but a demand of justice. "Each human being is known by God and loved by him. Each is willed by God and each is God's image...whoever violates a human being violates God's property." (Pope Benedict XVI)

MAGNIFICAT...INVITES YOU TO A PRAYER MEAL ON SATURDAY, February 21. The brunch will begin at 10 a.m. at Beacon Hills-County Inn Suites, 5353 N. 27th St. Carol Murphy, a long time member of Sacred Heart Parish in Crete, NE, will share highlights of her spiritual journey through 40 years of marriage and motherhood. To register sent **\$15.00** check payable to *Magnificat* to Barb Bechtolt, 5500 L St., Lincoln, NE 68510. **Student price \$10.00.** Information call Mary 476-1880. Women of all Faiths welcome.

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 sign up to accommodate a waiting list. There are three retreats remaining for this school year: TEC #66 is April 18—20 at McCook, NE; and TEC #67 is June 6—8 at David City, NE. 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 is one more Quest retreat this school year, April 4-5.

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.

We could use your input....Mrs. Denise Mahoney, the current first grade teacher, is in her 25th year at St. Joseph's School. In preparation for an end of the year recognition for her dedicated service, we are asking for those interested to please contact Mrs. Anne Driewer, Head Teacher. We are looking for tributes, words of congratulations and appreciation, or some stories and memories you would like to share. You may email Mrs. Driewer at anne-driewer@stjosephyork.org with your thoughts or mail them to 428 East Ave., York, NE 68467. Thank you for your help and time.