

St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

March 1, 2009

First Sunday of Lent

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 /March 7/8, 2009

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Gayle Kloewer	Gene Buhman	Barbara Sylvester
ACOL	Ken Heinz	Ardon Anderson	Ron Haarmann
ACOL	Jim Larkin	Dale Schoening	Steve Taylor
SERV	Alex Heinz	Jordan Walz	Blake Woodruff
SERV	Nathan Heinz	Nathan Walz	Chase Woodruff
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
MUS	Dana Grenfell	Dave Hying	Driewer
MUS	Gayle Kloewer	Ruth Ann Weitl	Family
USHR	Larry McCall	Bill Cuda	Scott Wieting
USHR	Eddie Kennedy	Scott Walz	Richard Braden
GRET		Kevin & Laurie Burns	Steve & Judy Hannon
GRET		Bill & Sharon Cuda	Jerry and Ardie Hinze
OFFR		Roger & Ruth Krumbach	Brian & Becky Stahr
ROSR	Betty Kaslon	Aloha Schmid	Leo Kloewer

March 1, 2009

1st Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

INTENTION

Mon	Mar. 2	7:00 am	St. Joseph	LeNora Coffey+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Joseph Miller+
Tues	Mar. 3	7:00 am	St. Joseph	James Quinn+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Gary Otoupal+
Wed	Mar. 4	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Nick Conrad+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Jodi Weiler+
Thurs	Mar. 5	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Marlen Lubert+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Carmen Beaver+
Fri	Mar. 6	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Dorothy & Arnold Grabowski+
First Friday		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Deceased of Wempe & Huber Families+
		10:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Mar. 7	8:00 am	Church	"Our Lady's" Pro-life Intention
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	Dec. Parents of Albert & Betty Sleddens+
In Spanish		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Mar. 8	8:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	Morris Thorne+

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

February 22, 2009 were

Adult Envelopes.....	\$6,625.50
Plate.....	\$241.65
Youth.....	\$46.95
Mass in Spanish	\$34.31
Sister Support.....	\$150.00
School Support	\$253.00
TOTAL.....	\$7,351.41

CHURCH BUILDING FUND..... \$740.00

Pray Fast and Give Alms

MEETINGS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS Before First Friday, on Thursday, March 5 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar at 7:00 p.m. followed by some prayers. Confessions will be available between 7:00 and 7:50 p.m. followed with Benediction at 7:55. Please come spend some time in prayer before our Eucharistic Lord.

Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at **2:30 & 5:30 pm**

FISH FRY ...Every Friday, 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 SMALL GROUPS: Those who have signed up and been assigned small groups, you will begin meeting the week of March 1st. The books are available on the table in the narthex of the church and you can pick one up before your first meeting. The cost of the books is \$14.00 and checks should be made out to St. Joseph Church. Please put "Lenten Small Groups" on the memo line. Thank you... **Note:** These meetings will last approximately 1 hour, or as long as the group wishes. You may still join one of the groups.

Meeting Times: Sunday, March 1—7 p.m.—Leader Mary Beth Kunze
Monday, March 2—9 a.m. — Leader — Carmen McKenny
Monday, March 2—7 p.m. —Leader — Jan Buhman
Wednesday, March 4—7 p.m. —Leader —Charlene Dorcey
Thursday, March 5—9 a.m. —Leader —Charlene Boyle

First Week of Lent - Jesus' Temptations... Jesus went to the desert after his baptism to reflect on God's word, and specifically God's call to Him. He was tempted by the devil with worldly goods, but always remained faithful to God, knowing that "no one who believes in Him shall be put to shame." In our own day many people struggle to find adequate work and earn a living wage for their families. As Catholics we believe that all people should be respected for their work and that all people have certain basic rights including the right to earn a wage that is adequate to support a family. Support CRS' with your **prayers, fasting, learning, and giving** with Operation Rice Bowl this week. Please take home a *Rice Bowl* for your family, they are on the table in the Church vestibule..

St. Joseph's Pitch Group... Tonight, March 1—7 p.m. Hostesses Doris & Larry Bowman

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

Knights of Columbus...Regular monthly meeting, Monday, March 2 at 8:00 pm at the Knights 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, March 6 - 9 a.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

Church Cleaning...Next Saturday, March 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 – 3/2 through 3/8 – **Crew #5:** Tom & Joe Ritzdorf, James Cast, Jed Erickson, Scott Walz, Russ Linhart, Leo Kloewer

Please Pray For: Helen Komenda, Glynnis Cory, 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., 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: Virgil Knopik (brother of Mary Gdowski), Gary Otoupal, James Rerucha, Bruce Bernt, Jodi Weiler, James Quinn, Rick Fyfe (brother of Judy Thomas), Carmen Beaver.

NEW Prayer Chain Lists... are on the table in the Church Narthex. Please get yours today. Thank You Eleanor Weiler

Msgr. Mandeville 4th Degree Knights of Columbus...will have a meeting and brunch on March 29th at St. Mary's Church in Aurora. We will attend the 10:30 mass with the brunch and meeting afterwards. There will be a meal choice of either prime Rib for \$15.50 per plate or Chicken Cordon Bleu for \$13.50 per plate. Please **RSVP by March 9th** to Val Dworak @ 402-643-4220 or Dean Fredericks @ 366-8626 or Randy Martin @ 362-3937.

Welcome...to the family of God through the waters of Baptism. On February 22, 2009 to Scott Troy Schmid, infant son of Scott and Dana (Alley) Schmid. Congratulations to the new parents.

SCHOOL NEWS

Spring Break...School will dismiss at 12 noon on Wednesday, March 4th - No School Thursday & Friday, March 5 & 6.

Thanks to all who supported Runza night on February 10 and to Bill and Lorraine Grenfell for sponsoring this. St. Joseph School received a check for \$128.35.

School Board Election...If you are interested in serving on St. Joseph's School Board, please contact Fr. Tasler 362-4595 or Mrs. Driewer 362-3021 to have your name on the ballot.

Pot O' Gold Benefit: Saturday, March 21, 2009 at the York Auditorium. This year's theme is "Americana" and will be celebrated as a vintage picnic. Please plan to attend this dinner and fundraiser in support of St. Joseph's School. Tickets for the event will be \$25 and available through the school or following mass in March. We are still requesting donations for the auction and would be most grateful if you would consider a donation to this worthy event. Donations maybe dropped off at the school.

CHURCH PARKING SPOT FOR SALE: As a fundraising project for Pot of Gold, a parking spot on the south side of the church next to the Handicap parking, will be auctioned off to the highest bidder and reserved for one year with your name on it. If you will be unable to attend the March 21st auction, please place your bid with Paul 366-1813 or Holly 366-9790.

RESPONDING TO THE HEART OF THE KING RETREAT PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS Vocations are everyone's business. In addition to your prayers could you help promote vocations by recommending our vocation discernment retreat for single women 18 to 35 years of age (including high school seniors). The retreat, aimed at giving retreatants an opportunity to discern God's plan for their life, will be held March 6 - 8, 2009 at Villa Regina Motherhouse. The cost is \$20.00, (scholarships are available upon inquiry). Information and registration forms are available from Father. You may also request information or register by calling The School Sisters of Christ the King at 477-5232 or emailing sr.mary-michael@cdolinc.net Please register by Tuesday, March 3.

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

March 6-8 Msgr. Daniel Seiker Men & Women
20-22 Fr. James Meysenburg 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.

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

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP) Monday, March 9, Wednesday, March 18 and Tuesday, March 31 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.

40 Days for LIFE — LENTEN PRAYER VIGIL Starting Ash Wednesday, February 25th—24 hours a day—7 days a week prayer vigil in front of Lincoln Planned Parenthood — 37th & South St. Sign up on line at 40daysforlife/Lincoln.com or call 402-489-7968.

Marian Sisters Discernment Retreat...The Marian Sisters are hosting a Discernment Retreat for single women, juniors in high school or older March 13-14 at the Marycrest Motherhouse, Waverly NE. The retreat will include praying with the sisters, recreating with them, adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist, Mass and Confessions on Saturday, as well as talks and discussions on Vocational discernment. It will begin at 3:30 on March 13 and end approximately 2:30 on March 14. For more information or to RSVP, please call Sr. Melissa at (402)786-2750.

Choose Life ... "One day our nation will look back on what we have been doing to innocent human beings within their mothers as a crime no less heinous than that what was approved by the Supreme Court in the 'Dred Scott Case' in the 19th century, and no less heinous than what was perpetrated by Hitler and Stalin in the 20th." (*Cardinal Edward Egan in Catholic New York, October 23, 2008*)

Girls Religious Awards...All girls, ages 7—18 involved with Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts, 4-H, Catholic Daughters & Schoenstatt are invited to participate in the religious awards program. To order program books, contact Lori at the Family Life Office 488-2040. Bishop Bruskevitz will celebrate Mass & Present the girls religious awards at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ on Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m.

Father/Son Program...to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, March 8, 2009, from 2—4 p.m. at Bl. John XXIII Diocesan Center in Lincoln. Boys 10-14 years old and their fathers are invited to register. Registration forms are on the church bulletin board. This program is presented by the Lincoln Fertility Care Center and the Family Life Office.

The Love and Life Program...a parent/teen program to promote respect for human sexuality, chastity, and Christian values, will be presented on Saturday, March 28 from 10 a.m.—2 p.m. at Bl. John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. in Lincoln. Teens 13-16 years old and one or both of their parents are invited to register. Registration fee includes materials and lunch. Registration forms are on the church bulletin board. The program is sponsored by the Family Life Office and Fertility Care Center

Area Church Events

Seek God for the City 2009...This Lent the York Ministerial Alliance is offering up a prayer opportunity for each of us to seek God and His will for the city of York. The prayer vigil will begin Ash Wednesday and will run through Good Friday. During the noon hour Monday through Friday from 12:15 to 12:45 pm people will gather at various congregations in the community for a time of concentrated prayer for the needs of people government and churches of York. Each day there will be a congregation that serves as the host site. There is a calendar of dates on the Church Bulletin Board. St. Joseph Church will be host on Monday March 23 & Tuesday March 24.

Utica Senior Center Potato Bake...Sunday March 8 from 11am-1p.m.

EWTN...Television program schedules for March and April are on the table in the Church Narthex.

Daylight Savings Time... begins next weekend (March 8) remember to set clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday night.