

St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

March 15, 2009

Third 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 21/22, 2009

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Kathy Quinlan	Deb Makovicka	Rod Garhart
ACOL	Ken Heinz	Bill Dunavan	Marc Haggadone
ACOL	Tom Walter	Mike Murphy	Matt Leif
SERV	Alex Heinz	Cody McGowan	Tristan Dravitzkii
SERV	Nathan Heinz	Dylan McGowan	Zane Dravitzki
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
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MUS	Abby Haarman	Laurie Burns	Children's Choir
MUS	Ruth Ann Weitl		
USHR	Michael Kirsch	Gary McDaniel	Bill & Mary
USHR	Randy Martin	John Budler	Thomas
GRET	Rose Kopcho	Larry & Maggie Kopsa	Lynn & Clare Leif
GRET	Muneca Moutray	Ken & Mary Beth Kunze	Mike & Cathi Murphy
OFFR	John & Julie Wilmes		
ROSR	Diane Torson	Arlene Smith	Matt Leif

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3rd Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

INTENTION

Mon	Mar. 16	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Carol Kmoch+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Ray Kramer+
Tues	Mar. 17	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Special Intention J.M.
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of John & Brenda Kowalski
Wed	Mar. 18	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Kim Conrad Family
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Leo Cunningham+
Thurs	Mar. 19	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Marla Svoboda+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Frank Kirkpatrick+
Fri	Mar. 20	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Edward Coffey+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Dick Bedient+
		10:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Mar. 21	8:00 am	Convent	Mary Berryman+
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	Joe & Tillie Anderly+
In Spanish		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Mar. 22	8:00 am	St. Joseph	Rudy & Gertrude Hakel+
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish

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.

Parish Coffee & Rolls...next Sunday, March 22 following the 8 a.m. Mass in the Mandeville Hall.

Third week of Lent—Woman at the Well ... Water is symbolic of life. - Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well and tells her he is living water and proceeds to turn her life around. We who contribute to Operation Rice Bowl become sources of hope, streams of living water, for people around the world. Our Prayers open us up to the streams of running water that flow out from our life in Christ. Our fasting brings to mind the image of drought and famine that results when water is cut off; when we live without reference to Christ the source of life, hope & love. Our community is participating in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Please take home a *Rice Bowl* for your family, they are on the table in the Church vestibule..

SCHOOL SECRETARY OPENING: St. Joseph School is accepting applications for the school office manager. Interested applicants should possess good computer, secretarial, and communication skills, be detailed and confidential, and be able to do bookkeeping and operate office machines. Hours are 7:30-3:30 daily with possible extended hours on a per need basis. Another part of the job may involve helping in the kitchen and cafeteria over the lunch hour as well as reports for the school lunch program. The office manager also assists injured and sick students and will need to file some reports to the state and diocese. Interested persons should contact Cindy at the school office or Fr. Mark Tasler for an application. Please call 362-3021 with any questions.

Combined Collection... Please be generous to this collection by using the "Combined Collection" envelope in the March/April packet of envelopes mailed to your home. Donations may still be returned next weekend.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

March 8, 2009 were

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4,725.31
Plate.....	\$124.37
Youth.....	\$39.57
Mass in Spanish	\$70.05
Sister Support.....	\$188.00
School Support	\$289.00
TOTAL.....	\$5,436.30

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.....\$628.50

Pray, Fast, and Give Alms

MEETINGS

St. Joseph School Board. Monday, March 16—5:30 p.m.—in the Science Room.

Knights of Columbus. Officers meeting, Monday, March 16, at 8:00pm.

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

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

Confraternity of Christian Mothers...will meet this Thursday, March 19th, at 9 a.m. in the Mandeville Hall. For more information, contact Maggie Kopsa 362-6445.

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.

Legion of Mary...You are invited to the Legion of Mary Acies at St. Mary's Church 14th & K Street, Lincoln on Monday, March 23, 2009. Rosary and Consecration Ceremony begins at 6 p.m. Traditional Latin Mass "Extraordinary Form" will follow. Celebrant The Most Reverend Bishop Fabian W. Bruskwitz. Homilist Msgr. Paul Witt.

Snow Removal - 3/16 through 3/22 - **Crew #2:** Bill Hoffman, Terry Huff, Matt Lief, Steve Taylor, Dan Malleck, Allen Heng, Steve Neujahr

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 Schmeckle, Mary Ann Hourigan, Ina Fae Homes, Nick Jacketti, Helen O'Brien, Edna Edgerley, William & Joan Runyan, George Zavodny Jr., Lone Liggett, 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: Raymond Barent (father of Cathy Spellman), Ray Kramer, Kathleen Roesener, Virgil Knopik (brother of Mary Gdowski), Gary Otoupal, James Rerucha, Bruce Bernt.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the 2nd graders at St. Joseph School and CCD program on receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time yesterday (Sat. 3/14). We want to express our gratitude to the Mrs. Geiger and Sr. Magdalena for how well all the students were prepared for this personal meeting with Jesus to receive his mercy and forgiveness. Thanks also for those who sponsored the reception in the Mandeville Hall following the Penance Service. Please keep all of these young people in our prayers as they look forward to receiving Jesus in their first Holy Communion on April 19th (Divine Mercy Sunday) at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

CDA Spring Pilgrimage - Saturday April 4. Treat yourself to a fun day with your fellow CDA members. Join us for a trip to Lincoln to tour Cathedral of the Risen Christ, lunch at Ruby & Cordelias Tea House, and a visit to the Pink Sisters. Leave York at 8:00 a.m. and return around 3:00 or 4:00 p.m. Cost of lunch \$14. Contact Connie Morris at 362-4369 to sign up

Magnificat Subscriptions... Current subscriptions expire with the May issue. If you are interested in joining our parish group rate as a new subscriber or renewing for June 2009 - May 2010 please contact Maggie Kopsa (362- 6445) or the Rectory (362-4595) **by Friday, March 20.** Your subscription fee of \$26.00 may be left at the Church Office or marked clearly and put in the collection basket.

SCHOOL NEWS

Thanks to all ...who use the Take Charge of Education program when they shop at Target and use their Red cards. St. Joseph School received a check for \$56.97 from this program

Thanks to allwho supported the February Wendy's night. St. Joseph School received a check for \$83.13.

Science Expo 2009 Tuesday, March 17—York City Auditorium—Public viewing of Science Expo projects 6:30—7:30 p.m. There will be 110 Displays— 30 from St. Joe students. All Are Welcome

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.

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.

Scholarship...The Knights of Columbus offer an annual scholarship to a graduating senior. To Qualify, you need to be a practicing Catholic student and an attending member of St. Joseph's Church and have a C average. Applications are available at the York High School, Church Office and Radio Shack, or contact a Knight. **Applications must be submitted by March 30, 2009**

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.**

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

March 20-22 Fr. James Meysenburg Women

April 3-5 Fr. Timothy Gallagher 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.

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP) 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.

Healing Mass... March 29 at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center at 3700 Sheridan Blvd. 3 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy; 3:30 p.m. Sunday Mass. Eucharistic Exposition after Mass. Come pray for spiritual, emotional, and physical healing for your self and your loved ones.

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.

Choose Life An Oregon court recently decided that a woman had the right to kill frozen embryos as part of the property in a divorce settlement. Commented a Catholic Medical Association physician, "It's where the culture of death has led our society through the courts—to truly devalue human life." *the southern Cross*, November 2008

Relationships 101 Featuring National Speaker **Carrie Abbott. March 25, 2009 — 6:30-9:00 p.m. — Hastings City Auditorium** (400 N Hastings Ave., Hastings, NE). **\$3.00 per Student** Carrie is the co-founder and president of the Legacy Institute. She has spoken to tens of thousands of people all across the nation in venues as: state legislatures, churches, universities, youth events, medical associations, conferences, radio and TV on the topic of relationships and human sexuality. She was one of the first recipients of the "Community Impact Award" from Families in Northwest in Washington State.

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

SAVE THE DATE— May 28th Golf "Fore!" the Newman Center – St. Thomas Aquinas Church at Arbor Links Golf Course in Nebraska City. For more information about team registration and sponsorship opportunities, contact Jude Werner at 770-1509 or email, newmancener@uni.edu

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.**

Dwight Assumption Spring Soup Dinner. Sunday, March 15, at the parish hall. Serving from 10:30 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M. See bulletin board for more information.

St. Helena's Card Party....Sunday, March 29 —Lunch 6 p.m. —Cards 7 p.m. Pitch and Pinochle \$5.00. Tickets sold at the door—Everyone welcome.

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

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