

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

April 5, 2009

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

## 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 April 11/12, 2009

	<u>SATURDAY 8:00 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	G.Buhman & Makovickas	Les Olson	Barbara Sylvester
ACOL	Ardon Anderson	Bill Dunavan	Marc Haggadone
ACOL	Dave Geiger	Orval Stahr	Jeff Harlow
SERV	Troy Taylor	Ryan Kopsa	Volunteer
SERV	Andrew Makovicka	Volunteer	Volunteer
SERV	Jacob Brooke	Volunteer	Volunteer
SERV	Caleb Brooke	Volunteer	Volunteer
MUS	Men's Choir	Laurie Burns	Matt Heng
MUS		Lucille Kuzelka	Gayle Kloewer
USHR	Allen Fangmeyer	Knights of Columbus	Dan Klein
USHR	Michael Kirsch		Brian Klein
GRET	Marge Ekeler	Les & Anne Olson	Paul & Holly Dravitzki
GRET	Marcia Erdkamp	Cenie Sackschewsky	Tim & Jean Gardner
OFFR		Dennis & Granada Dooley	Gail Stratman Family
ROSR		Maggie Kopsa	Elizabeth King

# April 5, 2009 Palm Sunday

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

## INTENTION

Mon	Apr. 6	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Special Intention (J.M.)
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Ray Kramer+
Tues	Apr. 7	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Lori McLain+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Special Intention of Abby Neville
Wed	Apr. 8	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Carmen Beaver+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Robert M. Thorne+
<b>Holy Thursday</b>				
Thurs	Apr. 9	7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Jodi Weiler+
<b>Good Friday</b>				
Fri	Apr. 10	3:00 pm	St. Joseph	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
<b>The Easter Vigil</b>				
Sat	Apr. 11	8:00 pm	St. Joseph	Pam Neville+
<b>Easter Sunday</b>				
Sun	Apr. 12	8:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Kevin & Laurie Burns
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish
		12:30 pm	St. Joseph	Mass in Spanish Intention of Celebrant

## OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

March 29, 2009 were

Adult Envelopes.....	\$6,133.00
Gift of Grain.....	\$6,003.22
Plate.....	\$129.73
Youth.....	\$35.75
Mass in Spanish .....	\$69.61
Sister Support.....	\$221.00
School Support.....	\$580.00
TOTAL .....	\$13,172.31

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.....\$423.00

## Pray, Fast, and Give Alms

**PENANCE SERVICE** This afternoon (April 5) from 4 to 5 p.m. Several priests will be available for Confessions. Please take this opportunity to make a confession before Easter.

### CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK

**Mass of Chrism** Holy Monday, April 6 at 5:00 p.m. -Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln.

**Holy Thursday** - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m.

**Rice Bowl Collection** - may be put in the regular collection using the envelope found in the Rice Bowl container or a plain envelope marked "Rice Bowl." The Holy Thursday collection will go towards this cause. Rice Bowls may also be left at the Parish Office.

**Good Friday** - Stations of the Cross at Noon.

**Rosary.** Please join us in praying the rosary on Good Friday at 2:30 pm in the Church for the intention of ending abortion. After the 3:00 p.m.

celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, everyone is invited to stay and recite the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** to begin a nine-day novena, which will conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19, with a Holy Hour at 3:00 p.m. in the church. Booklets on how to say the chaplet will be given out on Good Friday and you can begin the novena anytime on Good Friday for those who cannot stay after the 3:00 p.m. liturgy

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

**On Good Friday**, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution will support the works of the Catholic Community in the Middle East and to protect the Holy Places and Christian shrines. Please use the envelope in your April packet labeled "Holy Land" for this collection.

**Good Friday** is a day of fast and abstinence. **FASTING** means eating only one full meal with two smaller meals, which together do not equal the full meal. No snacks or eating between meals allowed. Fasting obliges all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. **ABSTINENCE** means eating no meat nor soup nor gravy made from meat. Abstinence obliges all Catholics over the age of 14.

**Extra Confession Times**—Tuesday, April 7, 12 noon to 1 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 8,** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Holy Thursday, April 9,** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 10,** 12 noon to 1 p.m. 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Holy Saturday,** By Appointment, call the rectory 362-4595

**Easter Sunday**—30 Minutes before Mass

**Easter Blessing of Food** on Holy Saturday, April 11 at 4:00 p.m. It is a beautiful custom. All are invited to bring to the Church Vestibule, baskets of Easter food, especially those things from which you fasted during Lent, and the special eggs, sausages, hams, breads, cakes, candies, sweets and other items that will constitute your Easter feast.

**The Easter Vigil** on Saturday, April 11 at 8:00 p.m. Please come and participate in the most important celebration of the entire year!

### MEETINGS

**St. Joseph's Pitch Group:** Today, April 4. 7 p.m. Mandeville Hall

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

**Knights of Columbus**...Monthly meeting, Monday, April 6, 8:00 p.m.

**Godparent Classes** - NO class this Wednesday.

**C.C.D. Classes** are held on Sundays, from 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the School Classrooms. No Class Sunday, April 12 - Easter or Sunday, April 19 - First Holy Communion.

**Snow Removal** - 4/6 through 4/12 - **Crew #5:** Tom & Joe Ritzdorf, James Cast, Jed Erickson, Scott Walz, Russ Linhart, Leo Kloewer.

**Please Pray For:** Roger Magnussen, Helen Komenda, Glynnis Cory, Doris Kennedy, Merle Lessig, Karla (Thomas) Holmes, Bill Raun, Sid Salzman, Dean Wilcox, 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 Schmeekle, 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: Kathleen Fassig, Marge Lyons, (mother-in-law of Orval Stahr), Bernard Walford, Raymond Barent (father of Cathy Spellman), Ray Kramer, Kathleen Roesener.

**DEBT RETIREMENT CAMPAIGN:** We are beginning our third week of our debt-retirement campaign. We have a good number of cards returned and we are well over the halfway point of our stated goal of \$350,000. Thanks to all of our workers who are contacting everyone in the parish and to all those who have made a pledge or donation to the campaign. We hope to bring the campaign to a close in the next week or so. Workers are encouraged to make their contacts and turn in the pledge as soon as possible. May God bless abundantly the generosity of so many people. Thank you...

**Meals on Wheels....** A BIG Thank You to all who delivered meals during the month of March, your help was much appreciated by all.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU...** to all who helped make the enchiladas for the Pot O Gold and especially to the Grenfells for donating the meat.  
Maria Olsen

**Food Pantry...** Grocery sacks—donations for Blue Valley returned this week, April 4/5 will be added to the school drive. Personal items for men and women are needed (soaps, deodorant, shampoo, etc.)

**Magnificat Subscriptions...** If you haven't already done so, your subscription fee of \$26.00 may be left at the Church Office or marked clearly and put in the collection basket.

#### **School News**

**No School ...** Thursday, April 9 through Monday, April 13

**Recycling stewardship...** St. Joseph School now has an account at Time Rental recycling center on 2713 Lincoln Avenue. If you take your aluminum cans there for recycling, you can ask that the money be added to the St. Joseph School account. Car and tractor batteries can also be taken there and generally would add \$2-\$5 each to the account. Thank you!

**Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Graders** – There is a \$500.00 scholarship available from National Catholic Daughters of the Americas for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade boys and girls entering 9<sup>th</sup> Grade in a Public, Private or Parochial school for 2009-2010 school year. Applications are available at the Church Office and St. Joseph School Office and are due May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. You may contact Laurie Burns (362-2136) with questions.

**2009 Summer Catechetical Program – TOTUS TUUS** is scheduled for the week of **June 21 -26** at St. Joseph Catholic Church & School. Parents please write these dates on your calendar NOW in order to help your children to attend as much as possible

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

**April 9-11** Marion Sisters Retreat      Women  
**24-26** Fr. Loras Grell                      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 **Mark Ruhl**.

**Boy Scout Troop #174...** Annual Auction, Sunday, (today) April 5, 2009 — beginning at 11:32 a.m. at the York City Auditorium.

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

**Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP)** Tuesday, March 31, Tuesday, April 7, Monday, April 13 and Thursday, April 23 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.

**Stop UNMC Human Embryo Destruction.....**In a sad victory of politics over science and ethics, President Obama has expanded federal funding of embryo-destructive research and eliminated a funding preference for research to find alternatives to this unethical research. As a result, the University of Nebraska Medical Center has announced plans to expand its embryo-destructive research. The Board of Regents can prohibit this expansion but they need to hear from us. Please go online to [www.nceresearch.com](http://www.nceresearch.com) and sign a petition urging our Regents to prohibit this expansion.

**Divorced, Separated & Widowed...** Catholics are invited to a special Mass sponsored by the Family Life Office on Monday, April 20, 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 "Rebirth and Renewal."

**Mother/Daughter Program** to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, April 19, 2009, from 2—4 p.m. at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Girls 10-13 years old and their mothers are invited to register. Registration forms are at the Church Office. The program is presented by the Family Life Office and the Lincoln Fertility Care Center.

**Diocesan Youth Ministry...**now has a blog! Get current dates, locations, and other information about our programs at [www.lincolnyouthministry.blogspot.com!](http://www.lincolnyouthministry.blogspot.com) See photos, videos, vocations corner and more!

**Choose Life ....**"In today's world of medical technology and pain control, the understandable fear of pain and death as one faces the end of their life should never lead to suicide—physician-assisted or otherwise." *Jennifer Popic, J.D., NRL News, Nov.-Dec., 2008*

### **Area Church Events**

**St. Patrick's Church of McCool...**is sponsoring the showing of the Movie called The Passion of Christ, Wednesday, April 8 at 7 P.M. at Stone Creek—1/2 mile south of McCool just off Hwy 81. for anyone who wishes to experience the Passion and Death of Christ. All faiths are welcome to come and prepare your mind and heart for this Easter. Cost is a free will donation.

**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](mailto:newmancener@uni.edu).

**Last week a plane crashed in Montana:** killing all on way to ski trip. The plane landed in a Catholic Cemetery just feet from a tombstone dedicated to aborted babies. Some of the family of Irving Feldkamp were on the plane. He lost 2 daughters, 2 son-in-laws and 5 grandchildren and 4 family friends. Irving just happens to own the nations largest abortion chain for profit! Please pray for Bud Feldkamp after this tragedy and also for his repentance and conversion. <http://www.christiannewswire.com/news/646579835.html>