

St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

September 7, 2008

23rd 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 September 13/14, 2008

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Joe McCluskey	Ron Makovicka	Jeff Erickson
ACOL	Ken Heinz	Orval Stahr	Dave Bartek
ACOL	Tom Huff	Mike Murphy	Dave Langner
SERV	Nathan Spellman	Caleb Brooke	Isaac Driewer
SERV	Kyle Haarmann	Jacob Brooke	Abraham Driewer
SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
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MUS	Abby Haarmann	Dave Hying	Matthew Heng
MUS	Lucille Kuzelka	Christi Ruhl	Gayle Kloewer
USHR	Tom Ritzdorf	Gary McDaniel	Dan & Brian
USHR	Allen Fangmeyer	John Budler	Klein
GRET	Charlie & Helen Wempe	Maynard & Cathy Ochs	Jerry & Ardie Hinze
GRET	Dean & Betty Fredericks	Les & Anne Olson	Angie Johnson
OFFR			
ROSR	Ruth Weilt	Joe McCluskey	Dave Bartek

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

INTENTION

Mon	Sept. 8	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Special Intention Mike Luber
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Carol Kmoch+
Tues	Sept. 9	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Jim & Lenora Larkin
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Ruth Smith+
Wed	Sept. 10	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Urban Ochs+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Leonard & Marie Yount+
Thu	Sept. 11	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Tom Walter
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Tom & Aloha Schmid
Fri	Sept. 12	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Phoebe McCarthy+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Frank Kirkpatrick+
		10:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Sept. 13	8:00 am	Church	Dr David Demuth+
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	John Kawa+
In Spanish		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Sept. 14	8:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	Robert M. Thorne+

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

August 31, 2008 were

Adult Envelopes	\$4,435.00
Holy Day	\$15.00
Plate	\$328.84
Youth	\$26.60
Mass in Spanish	\$45.41
Sister Support	\$140.00
School Support.....	\$702.00
TOTAL	\$5,692.85

CHURCH BUILDING FUND \$445.00

Pray for Holy Families

Pot O Gold Spaghetti Feed...Today, Sunday, September 7.

Serving spaghetti & desserts from 4-7 p.m.—Cullen Hall. Adults \$5.00—children \$2.00. Carry-outs available. Help support St. Joseph School

CCD CLASSES...will begin this Sunday, (TODAY) September 7 from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. for all those children of our parish not attending St. Joseph School. We have individual classes for each grade Pre-School through 8th grade. Even if you have not registered your children yet, please bring them to the first class THIS Sunday and register them at that time.

Godparent Classes...begin this Wednesday, September 10 –7:30-8:30.

Freshmen meet at the home of Ron & Lori Haarmann

Sophomores meet at the home of Jeff & Cheryl Harlow

Juniors meet at the homes of Tim & Jane Esser & Bill & Mary Thomas

Seniors meet at the home of Bill & Lorraine Grenfell

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION DISTRIBUTION: The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Lincoln has sent out the distribution checks from earnings and interest for the first six months of the year from the education fund. St. Joseph Catholic School has received a check from the foundation in the amount of \$2,313.27 and \$644.10 has been given to help fund our CCD program. In addition, our St. Joseph School Endowment, which is also invested with the Catholic Foundation, paid interest to support the school in the amount of \$3,478.92. We are very grateful for the financial support we receive from the Foundation and we are indebted to all the benefactors who have contributed to our St. Joseph School Endowment which has a principal of \$216,000. St. Joseph School receives only the interest from the Endowment for the school, the principal is never spent, so it is a "gift that keeps on giving" to help educate our young people in the school. Please keep the St. Joseph School Endowment in mind as an option for donations or future planned giving.

Catholic Adult Education Class...Everyone is invited to attend an adult education class in the Catholic faith. The classes will begin on Thurs., September 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall. The class is an opportunity for everyone, Catholics and non-Catholics, to increase their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith; what the Church teaches and why. There will be time set aside each class for questions on any topic. Please mark your calendars and take advantage of this opportunity to better understand our Catholic faith.

MEETINGS

St. Joseph Pitch Group...tonight, at 7 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall

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

Knights of Columbus...Meeting, Monday, Sept 8—8 p.m.

Catholic Daughters...First Fall meeting, Monday, Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

Light Weigh... Tuesday, September 9 at 9 a.m. Mandeville Hall. Questions call Maggie 362-6445 or Sara 362-5987.

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

Salad Luncheon...Sponsored by the Altar Society, Thursday September 11. Be sure to return your raffle ticket stubs at the salad luncheon. Come and bring a friend.

Parish Coffee & Rolls...Next Sunday, September 14 following the 8:00 a.m. mass in the Mandeville Hall. Sponsored by the School Staff.

HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR: Practice next Sunday, September 14th from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at the home of Chris & Rachel Chavanu. New faces welcome!

First Communion Parents Meeting...Sunday, October 5 at 9:15 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall.

Please Pray For: Luella Brinker, Michael Runyan, Helen Burrier, Elizabeth Obispo, Carmen Beaver, Gina Geiger, Jodi Weiler, Mitch Wambold, Elizabeth Conroy, Richard Eichmeier, Sonya Charlton, Ron Kear, Colleen King, Fr. Larry Gyhra, Helen Komenda, Diane Thomas, Shirley Rea, Dennis Scamehorn, Dan Tuttle, Don Olsen, Dave Vasquez, Tim Devlin, Don Neville, Marietta Medinger, Gale Fox, Joan Mulinix, Janet Rowland, Tony Winter, Jerry Olson, Marlen Luber, 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, Joan Thompson, Helen O'Brien, Edna Edgerley, Jimmy Danahay, William & Joan Runyan, George Zavodny Jr., Ione 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, Lori McLain, Gertrude Hakel (grandmother of Laurie Burns), Robert Thorne, and Gene Neville.

CONFIRMATION MEETING—NEXT SUNDAY — SEPTEMBER 14 AT 9:15 in CULLEN HALL For all 5th & 6th grade parents and those who have older children who have not yet received the Sacrament. Confirmation will be on on Thursday, November 20, 2008.

SCHOOL NEWS

Pre School 4 opening...Due to some student transfers, there is now one opening in the Little Angels Pre-school program for the four-year-old class. Please contact Mrs. Driewer at the school at 362-3021 if you are interested in your child attending this Monday, Wednesday, Friday program from 8:15-11:20.

Runza Night : The first Runza night out for St. Joseph School will be Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. (both locations) Runza will donate 15% of the profits during these hours to the school. Proceeds go to the School for books.

Please Save...Grand Central Food receipts for the school, September 1 through March 31st.

St. Joseph School studentsare still selling magazines, chocolate, and other gift items. Please contact the school office at 362-3021 if you would like to help support this fundraising effort and have not been contacted by a student. You may also **go on-line to QSP.com**, enter our **St. Joseph School code of 425003602** and place your order that way. Forty percent of all sales go directly to our school. Thanks to the Home and School Association for organizing this major fundraising effort for our school!

NFCSP (Nebraska Federation of Catholic School Parents) is a legislative lobbying group for the three Nebraska diocese to advocate for Catholic schools in Nebraska. Parents of St. Joseph School students are enrolled each year through the Home and School Association, but anyone who supports Catholic schools is encouraged to join. Annual membership dues are only \$3.00. Information brochures and enrollment forms are on the table in the narthex.

Children's Choir Any 2nd through 8th grader not attending St. Joseph's School, interested in children's choir is asked to pick up a yellow sheet on the table in the back of the church. (St. Joseph School students in these grades received one at school.) Information regarding practice and Sunday Mass singing times is on the sheet. **Thanks** to Mrs. Erin Sieh, Mrs. Doreen Luethje, and Mrs. Gayle Kloewer for their work with the children's choir.

Wednesday, September 24, St. Joseph 6th, 7th, and 8th graders will be picking corn for Mycogen as an annual fundraiser. The proceeds go to funding Catholic Schools Week activities, a junior high field trip to Camp Covenant Cedars and the school's petty cash fund. We are asking any parishioners who would like to help pick corn and thus raise our amount picked/profits to please call the school and speak with Mrs. Anne Driewer at 362-3021. We would leave the school shortly after 8:00 and generally return to the school around 2:00. Thank you.

Twenty-First Annual Marian Mass, Rosary & Candlelight

Procession! Will take place on Wednesday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m. on the grounds of the Waverly Marian Center. Bishop Bruskewitz will be the main celebrant and homilist. A play about Fatima, performed by the children in S.T.A.G.E., will begin at 6:00 p.m. The Rosary will be prayed in English, Czech, Spanish, Vietnamese and German. Limited seating and handicap accessible restrooms will be provided.

September Retreats

11- 14 Opus Sancturn Angelorum Men & Women
19-21 Fr. Lawrence Stoley Women

The theme for Fr. Stoley's retreat will be **In Hope We Were Saved**. 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.

Meals on Wheels... St. Joseph Parish will be delivering meals during the month of October. Please call Carmen McKenny 362-5069

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP) Thursday, September 11 and Tuesday September 23 at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required. For more information call 488-2040.

Healing Mass...September 14 at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy; 3:30p.m. Sunday Mass. Eucharistic Exposition after Mass. Come pray for spiritual, emotional, and physical healing for yourself and your loved ones.

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.

The Catholic Coffee House...provides an opportunity to spend time with others interested in strengthening their relationship with Jesus, learning more about their Faith, and building up the Body of Christ with fellow Catholics. This adult faith formation series will take place at the Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center in Lincoln on "Sundays" beginning September 21 from 6:30 — 8:00 p.m. The theme for this season is: Celebrating the year of St. Paul. **The first presentation (9/21/08) is entitled "Introduction to St. Paul" by Fr. Mark Cyza**. Each session includes prayer, a presentation, Q & A time and dessert (with coffee, of course). There is no fee and no registration is required. Questions: please call (402) 86-2705.

RETOUVAILLE OF NEBRASKA ...is looking for couples who have been through the Retrouvaille Program and are interested in becoming more involved in our Retrouvaille community. There will be an informational meeting at 2:00 P.M. on September 14th at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 152 Pinewood Ave., Seward, Nebraska. For more information call John or Sharon Anderson at 402 346-8429 or 402 670-9233.

Choose Life ... Governor Sarah Palin of Alaska knew through prenatal diagnosis that her fifth child had Down syndrome. Following the baby's birth, the Palin family issued this statement: "Trig is beautiful and already adored by us. We knew through early testing he would face special challenges, and we feel privileged that God would entrust us with this gift and allow us unspeakably joy as he entered our life." (*San Diego Union-Tribune*, 4/19/08)

COMMENTARY ON THE LORD'S PRAYER: Continuing excerpts from a commentary on prayer in general and specifically the "Our Father" by St. Cyprian of Carthage, who converted to Christianity at the Easter Vigil in the year 246 A.D. and was martyred for the faith on August 14, 258. (Taken from the Liturgy of Hours): We should live like the temples of God we are, so that it can be seen that God lives in us. No act of ours should be unworthy of the spirit. Now that we have begun to live in heaven and in the spirit, all our thoughts and actions should be heavenly and spiritual; for, as the Lord God himself has said: *Those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be despised. And the blessed Apostle wrote in his letter: You are not your own; you were bought with a great price. So glorify and bear God in your body.*

AREA CHURCH CELEBRATIONS

Parish Mission...Saint Joseph Parish in Geneva and Saint Mary's Parish in Shickley are pleased to announce a Parish Mission from September 13 to 17. Father James Kubicki, S.J., National Director for the Apostleship of Prayer, will lead the Mission. Everyone is welcome!

St. Helena's Parish - Grafton Dinner & Bazaar...Pork Loin Buffet, Sunday, September 21 serving from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Free will offering. **See the Bulletin Board for more on the above events.**

Thank You...to all who have chosen to advertise their Businesses on the back of our bulletin for another year. Please support these businesses with your patronage.