

St. Joseph Catholic Church

505 East Avenue, York, NE 68467

Father Mark A. Tasler, Pastor

Father Jesuraj Savarimuthu Assistant Pastor

September 21, 2008

25th 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 27/28, 2008

	<u>SATURDAY 5:30 PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 8:00 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 11:00 AM</u>
LECT	Bob Weiler	Maynard Ochs	Elizabeth King
ACOL	Tom Huff	Bill Dunavan	Volunteer
ACOL	Jerry Leininger	Orval Stahr	Volunteer
SERV	Alex Heinz	Jordan Walz	Michael Powell
SERV	Volunteer	Michael Dorcey	Cole Johnson
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SERV	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
MUS	Dravitzki	Ruth Ann Weiti	Dana Grenfell
MUS	Family	Christi Ruhl	Gayle Kloewer
USHR	Marlin Hartig	Gene Troutman	Paul Brune
USHR	Dean Fredericks	Greg Conrad	Rich Brockevelt
GRET	Rose Kopcho	Jerry & Sue Stahr	Mike & Cathi Murphy
GRET	Laura Lea	Lee Svoboda	Phil & Cindy Rowland
OFFR	Barb & Dean Wilcox	Kelly Brooke Family	Tim Esser Family
ROSR	Betty Kaslon	Ruth Ann Weiti	Leo Kloewer

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

INTENTION

Mon	Sept. 22	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Kevin Wempe+
Tues	Sept. 23	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Lori McLain+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Wed	Sept. 24	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Phoebe McCarthy+
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	St. Joseph Staff, Students & Families
Thu	Sept. 25	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Carol Kmoch+
Fri	Sept. 26	7:00 am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls of Tom Walter
		8:10 am	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
		10:30 am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat	Sept. 27	8:00 am	Convent	Intention of Celebrant
		5:30 pm	St. Joseph	L&D Walsh, Cockson, Branigan & Miller Fam.
In Spanish		7:00 pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun	Sept. 28	8:00 am	St. Joseph	Lori McLain+
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish

PANCAKE FEED... TODAY, Sunday, September 21- Serving from 9 am to 1 pm in Cullen Hall. The Knights of Columbus will be serving their famous pancakes, ham, juice & coffee. Free will offering for St. Joseph School..

VOCATIONS COLLECTION... This weekend throughout the Lincoln Diocese the annual Bishop's Lay Committee for Vocations collection will be taken up. If you did not receive an envelope in the mail, your contribution can be marked vocations and put in the collection basket. Please be generous with your gifts and keep all our seminarians in your prayers.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION: We are offering two opportunities for Adult Catholic Education this school year. The RCIA class (**every Thurs. at 7:00 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall**) is a basic course in the Catholic faith for those who are not Catholic and those who are Catholic and want to learn more about their faith. The other opportunity is a Bible study (**every Wed. at 6:00 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall**) focusing on the sacraments in the letters of St. Paul in honor of the 2000th anniversary of his birth. This class is likewise open to anyone. Please Consider increasing your knowledge of the Catholic faith by attending either of these classes.

Thank You.... The Pot O Gold Committee would like to thank the parents and parish volunteers who assisted with serving approximately 275 delicious dinners at the recent Pot O Gold Spaghetti Feed. We appreciate those who joined in support and fellowship at this event and encourage you to return for our winter dinner in January. A special thank you to Teresa Steffen and Cindy Rowland who handled preparation of the food for this event, the St. Joseph's Altar Society for the incredible and delectable variety of desserts, and the fish fry team for the use of their equipment.

CUSTODIAN POSITION: St. Joseph School is looking for a full time custodian (40 hours). Hourly wage based upon upon experience ranging from \$8.00 to \$10.00 per hour. Please call the school (362-3021) or Fr. Tasler at the rectory (326-4595). Thank you.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: For all boys of the parish grades 4 through 12 who have not been trained to serve Mass, there will be altar server training this Wed. (Sept. 24) from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. OR on Saturday (27th) from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the church. If you are not able to attend, please contact Fr. Tasler (362-4595) to set up another time. Thank you...

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

September 14, 2008 were

Adult Envelopes	\$7,790.50
Electronic Deposit.....	\$1,410.00
Plate	\$274.25
Youth	\$35.05
Mass in Spanish	\$49.24
Sister Support	\$170.00
School Support.....	\$583.00
TOTAL	\$10,312.04

CHURCH BUILDING FUND \$1,313.00

Pray for Vocations

MEETINGS

St. Joseph Parish Council... will meet Monday, September 22 at 7:00 pm in the Mandeville Hall.

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

Bible Study... Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall

Godparent Classes - No Classes this Wednesday, Homecoming.

Adult Education Classes... Thursdays 7 p.m.—Mandeville Hall

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

Food Pantry... Sacks for the food bank will be handed out following Masses next weekend, with food donations to be returned on the first weekend in October. Blue Valley thanks St. Joseph's for the 225 pounds of donations for July, August & September.

Magnifi Kid!... This is a monthly publication (similar to Magnificat) but for children 6 to 12. Parents who would like to join our parish group0 subscription as well as those renewing — please call Maggie Kopsa 362-6445 by October 19. Annual subscription rate is \$17.00. (January-December 2009)

Please Pray For: Theresia VanOstrand, Cyndi Fagot, Eleanor Haley, Luella Brinker, Michael Runyan, , Elizabeth Obispo, Carmen Beaver, Gina Geiger, Jodi Weiler, Mitch Wambold, Richard Eichmeier, Sonya Charlton, Ron Kear, Fr. Larry Gyhra, Helen Komenda, Diane Thomas, Dennis Scamehorn, Dan Tuttle, Don Olsen, Dave Vasquez, Tim Devlin, Don Neville, Marietta Medinger, Gale Fox, 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 Schmeekle, 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 Roessner, 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, Helen Burrier (mother of Doris Bowman), Shirley Rea, Lori McLain, Gertrude Hakel, Robert Thorne, and Gene Neville.

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

Welcome... to the family of God through the waters of Baptism On September 13, 2008 Manuel Giovanni Rodriguez, infant son of Manuel and Miranda (Hergenreder) Rodriguez-Valdez and on September 14, 2008 Christopher John Michael Butrick, infant son of William and Mandi (Bennett) Butrick. Congratulations to the parents.

SCHOOL NEWS

Wendy's Night Out: Wendy's night out for St. Joseph School will be Monday, Sept. 22 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Wendy's will donate 20% of the profits during these hours to the school. The money is used for student projects throughout the year.

Parent Teacher Conferences...Thursday, September 25— Noon School Dismissal. NO School, Friday, September 26.

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.

Please Save for School....Grand Central food receipts, Our Family UPC symbols and Campbell soup UPC labels. There is a container in the back of the church for these. **Thank You** — Recently we received a check for the \$100.00 for the Our Family labels from last year.

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.

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

October

3—5	Fr. Andrew Menke	Men & Women
10— 12	Fr. Lothar Gilde	Men & Women
23 —26	Regnum Christi	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.

Seek His Kingdom RetreatThe School Sisters of Christ the King are sponsoring a "Seek His Kingdom" retreat for single women between the ages of 18 and 35, including high school seniors. The retreat, aimed at helping the participants to deepen their relationship with Christ, especially using the spiritual tools of St. Ignatius, will be held on October 17 - 19, 2008 at Villa Regina Motherhouse. Information and registration forms are available from Father or by calling Villa Regina Motherhouse at 402-477-5232, the website cksisters.org or emailing sr.mary-michael@cdolinc.net. The registration deadline is Tuesday, October 14.

AREA CHURCH CELEBRATIONS

St. Helena's Parish - Grafton Dinner & Bazaar...Pork Loin Buffet, Sunday, September 21 serving 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Free will offering.

SS. Peter & Paul Church Abie, NE...Duck & Ham & all the Czech trimmings (served Buffet style). Sunday, October 5. Serving 11 am - 4:00 pm. Adults \$10.00 Children under 12 years \$5.00.

St. Stephen's—Exeter....Salad Luncheon & Card Party, Thursday, October 23. Doors open at 11 a.m.—American Legion Hall, Exeter.

See the Bulletin Board for more on the above events.

Living Faith....booklets for October, November & December are available on the table in the vestibule of the Church.

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Creighton Model Fertility Care (NFP) Tuesday September 23 and Thursday, October 9 at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required. For more information 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.

Theology of the Body...The Family Life Office is facilitating an 8 week study group on **Wednesdays** beginning **October 1, 2008 from 7- 9 p.m.** at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln. Participants will explore the richness of Pope John Paul II's **Theology of the Body**. This group is open to couples or individuals and the cost for materials is \$15.00 per couple/individual. Call the Family Life Office by September 26 to register, 488-2040.

Healing Hearts Support Sessions...for those who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. The sessions will be held on six Monday evenings beginning **Monday, October 13, 7—9 p.m.**, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Cost: \$15.00. To register, please call 488-2040.

The Catholic Coffee House...Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center in Lincoln on "Sundays" beginning TODAY, 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.

Divorced, Separated and Widowed...Catholics are invited to a special Mass sponsored by the Family Life Office on Monday, October 6, 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 "Celebrating the Gift of Life". Refreshments will be provided.

200 Volunteers needed...Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach 12th Annual "Huskies Helping the Homeless" event: Saturday, Oct 4, 3 hours prior to the NU vs Missouri game. Free T-shirts and refreshments for all volunteers! Students receive 4 agency volunteer credit hours! Contact Sydne Wirrick-Knox, Coordinator of Volunteers & Operations at 477-4116 or sydnemtko@windstream.net.

Choose Life ... As assisted suicide laws continue to be proposed, it is well to remember that "there is no more dangerous public policy than transforming killing into a legal, and eventually a legitimate medical treatment. In society today, we have decided that which is moral and good is that which is legal. And once you legalize assisted suicide, it will then be deemed good and moral." (Euthanasia expert Wesley J. Smith, *Southern Cross* 5/15/05)

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): The apostle Paul instructs us in these words concerning the sanctification which God's loving kindness confers on us: *Neither the immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor robbers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such indeed you were. But you have been washed, you have been sanctified, you have been justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God. We were sanctified, he says, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God. Hence we make our prayer that this sanctification may remain in us. But further, our Lord who is also our judge warns those who have been cured and brought back to life by him to sin no more lest something worse happen to them. Thus we offer constant prayers and beg night and day that this sanctification and new life which is ours by God's favor may be preserved by his protection.*