

February 25, 2007

First Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES		INTENTION	
Mon Feb 26	7:00am	St. Joseph	Janis Tasler+
	8:10am	St. Joseph	Special Intention (J.M.)
Tue Feb 27	7:00am	St. Joseph	Mary Seidel+
	8:10am	St. Joseph	Richard Weitl+
Wed Feb 28	7:00am	St. Joseph	Spec.Int of William & Joan Runyan
	8:10am	St. Joseph	Lyle Clark+
Thu Mar 1	7:00am	St. Joseph	Dorothy Dumpert+
	8:10am	St. Joseph	Poor Souls fo Ray Kramer
Fri Mar 2	7:00am	St. Joseph	Lois Rodenbur+
First Friday	8:10am	St. Joseph	Bonnie Conrad+
	10:30am	Hearthstone	Intention of Celebrant
Sat Mar 3	10:00am	Church	Intention of Celebrant
	5:30pm	St. Joseph	Dec. Mem Wempe & Huber Fam.
in Spanish	7:00pm	St. Joseph	Intention of Celebrant
Sun Mar 4	8:00am	St. Joseph	Jack Conrad+
	11:00am	St. Joseph	People of the Parish

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD	
February 18, 2007 were:	
Adult Envelopes . . .	\$10,658.00
Plate	\$226.36
Youth	\$46.71
Mass in Spanish	\$35.17
Sister Support	\$56.00
School Support	\$1,831.00
TOTAL:	\$12,853.24
CHURCH BUILDING FUND	\$1,255.00

**Pray Fast and
Give Alms**

Stations of the Cross.... on Friday, March 2 at 2:30 and 5:30 pm.

FISH FRY...Every Friday, through March 30, 2007. Serving from 5:00-7:30 p.m. in Cullen Hall. All-you-can-eat Fish, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, bread, coffee and tea.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS
Before First Friday, on Thursday, March 1 from 7:00 - 9:00 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 8:50 p.m. followed with Benediction at 8:55. Please come spend some time in prayer before our Eucharistic Lord.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS

Wendy's Night – This Monday, February 26 from 5 to 8 p.m. **NO SCHOOL**...Thursday & Friday, March 1 & 2 - Spring Break.

Grand Central Receipts... Need to be turned into the School Office by April 11th. The school receives 10% from all the receipts. **Box Tops for Education** may be turned in at any time of the year, at school or the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

School Board Elections will be held at all Masses the weekend of March 17/18. We will be electing two new members to serve for 3 years. If you are willing to be on the ballot please contact the school or parish office by March 4.

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 won 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.

MEETINGS

St. Joseph Parish Council ... will meet Monday, February 26 at 7:30 pm in the Mandeville Hall. Please contact Fr. Tasler if you are unable to attend.

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

God Parent Classes - Meet on Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Inquiry Class/R.C.I.A. Class...Thursdays, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Mandeville Hall (lower level of the Church).

Altar Society...Regular monthly meeting, Friday, March 2 at 9:00 am 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.

St. Joseph's Pitch Group: Next Sunday, March 4.

Food Pantry...Thanks to everyone who has generously contributed to the monthly food drive for Blue Valley. Sacks will be distributed by the greeters after the Masses this weekend and returned on March 3 & 4.

Snow Removal - 2/26 through 3/4 - Crew #5 Tim Gardner, John Wilmes, Ed Larkin, Jeff Harlow, Ron Haarmann, Josh Gregg.

Please Pray For: Bob Sylvester, Richard Loveless, Lucille Kuzelka, Roswitha Crissman, Margaret Geiger, Matthew Schmeekle, Mary Cockson, Matthew Leach, Mary Ann Hourigan, Ina Fae Homes, Nick Jacketti, Joan Thompson,, Jacob Budler, Helen O'Brien, Edna Edgerley, Patty Campbell, Jimmy Danahay, Al Boesch, William & Joan Runyan, Rollie Shald, George Zavodny Jr., Jodi Weiler, Tom Lilly, Pam Neville, Myron Johnson, Betty Bradley, Ione Liggett, Rose Marie Nichols, Gene Neville, 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 Frances Makovicka, Rosie C. Rivera, Rosemary Stahr, and John Kerr who recently died.

Funeral Mass ...for Frances Makovicka will be Monday, February 26 at 10:00 a.m. with burial at 2:00 p.m. in the Ulysses cemetery. Rosary will be recited at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 25 at Metz Mortuary.

Rosary Making...if you are interested in this project, please contact Carolyn Anderson - 366-7431.

Altar Society - Please Join Us...at St. Patrick's in Utica on Tuesday, March 13th, at 7:00 p.m. as we welcome the Lincoln Diocesan Leadership Team as they present "Share Shops". Their presentation will provide ideas to promote leadership, member involvement, and the work of the commissions in your parish women's groups while still having fun! Please plan to attend!

SOUTHERN NEBRASKA REGISTER...February is Catholic Press Month. Please if you haven't already done so, use the envelope in your packets and return your **\$13.00 subscription fee** in the regular collection. Please contact the Rectory if you are NOT receiving the Register.

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.

C.D.A. Scholarship...A \$500.00 scholarship is available to a; graduating senior of St. Joseph Parish, York, NE., who plans to further their education. Selection will be based upon high morals, character, academic(85% average or above), financial need, leadership and community and/or Parish involvement. Applications must be submitted by March 30, 2007. Applications are available at York High School, Church Office or contact a Catholic Daughter member.

The Pot O'Gold Committee...would like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations: **Cecelia Ohs**— set of Johann Haviland china, **Brenda Becker**— Greeting card basket, **Friends of St. Joe**— 2006 TOPPS baseball and football cards, **The Attic**— popcorn basket, **Larry Mertens**— Arby's Adventure meals and Super 8 pool party, **Cutter's Corner**— hair care products basket, **Tim Esser & Jane Brogan**— portable DVD player **Coffee Beings**— \$15 gift cert. **Bag 'N Save**— \$50 gift cert. **Laurie Burns**— 3 dozen Kolaces and 1 lg. hand crocheted doily, **Kevin Burns**— homemade wine, **O'Reilly Auto Parts**— 2 ton floor jack and stands, **Kitty Miller & Tom Brogan**— handmade bracelets, **Dick & Eileen Smith**— champaign bucket with champaign, **Bill & Jane Hoefener**— lighted glass block with snowman scene. Thank you for your support.

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

2007	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
	Mar 16-18	Mar 2-4

Women's Master - Mar. 2-4 - Fr. Raymond Jansen
Men's Retreat Master-Mar.16-18- Fr. Robert Roh
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. "Yellow" 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) Tuesday, March 6 and Thursday, March 15 and Monday, March 26 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 make take for yourself or someone you know who may benefit from them.

The Love and Life Program...which promotes respect for human sexuality and good communication between parents and their middle school aged children will be presented on Saturday, March 10, 2007, from 9:30 - 4 p.m. at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. in Lincoln. Students in grades 6 - 8 and their parents are invited to register. Registration is \$30 per family, and includes lunch. **Registration forms are on the Church Bulletin Board.** This program is presented by the Lincoln Fertility Care

A Mother/Daughter Program will be presented on Sunday, March 4, 2007, from 12:00 - 3:30 pm in Dawson Hall, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., in Lincoln. Girls 9-13 years old and their mothers are invited to register. **Registration forms are on the Church Bulletin Board.** This program is presented by the Lincoln Fertility Care

A Father/Son Program will be presented on Sunday, March 11, 2007, from 2:00 - 4:30 pm in Dawson Hall, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., 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

Choose Life...Those who favor destroying embryos for scientific research argue, "spare embryos are doomed anyway and will be discarded if not used for research." Well, then, what about other doomed people such as death row inmates, terminally ill patients, and patients in a persistent vegetative state? Why not use them for research as the Nazis did with those condemned to the gas chamber? (Gary Cangemi, *Pro-Life Reporter*, Fall 2006)

Lenten Adult Series...this year will be on the theme of "A Look into the Gospels." Each Monday during Lent at St. Teresa Church, 36th & Randolph Streets in Lincoln, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Bishop Bruskewitz or a priest will present a talk on a Gospel. See the schedule on the bulletin board in the back of Church. Come and gain a deeper understanding of God's Holy Word. Sponsored by the Office of Religious Education of the Diocese of Lincoln.

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, March 12, 7 - 9 p.m.**, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Cost: \$15.00. To register, please call 488-2040.

Pro-Life Legislative Day...Wednesday, March 7th at the State Capitol. Come for all or part of the day. Support LB 700, Human Cloning Ban. Registration, Coffee & rolls at 8 a.m. Rm 1126. Visiting with senators 109:30 to Noon. Get free info packet for yourself and senator. Lunch on your own. 1:30 p.m. Hearing of LB 700 in Judiciary Committee. Call: Neb. Right to Life at 402-438-4802 for more information. High School & Jr. High groups welcome! Schedule of events is 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 **Stephen Tomlison**

