

PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK

For the sick: Joyce Cockerill, Kathy Ewing, Pauline Washtek, Joseph Fibich, Tom Middleton Helen Stepanek, Robert Weiler, Ray Heimes, Mitchell Warnke,

ACTIVITIES IN THE PARISH

Tuesday, Mar. 1, K of C, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 1, NO Bible Study

Wednesday, Mar. 2, RE, 6:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY MARCH 5 5:00 P.M.

Lectors: Marla Kildow-Harold Starks

EME: Gayle Hughes-Michelle Parr-JoAnn Shepler

Servers: Molly Kohlbek-Cheyenne Goens

Greeters: Mike Patera-Joe Parr

Music: Kathy Kaiser-Anne Riha-Sue Smith-Brenda Jones-Kathy Biernbaum

SUNDAY MARCH 6 9:00 A.M.

Lectors: Mike Kalin-Sue Knott

EME: Mary Johnson-Leigh Ann Amerine-Debbie Vacek

Servers: Baron Huntwork-Emma Johnson

Greeters: Ted Boro-Joe Boro

Music: Tim & Diane Ihry-Judy Jacobsen-Joanie Kolar

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

February 19 & 29	\$ 4184.75
Building Fund	\$ 150.00
Home/Foreign Mission	\$ 62.00

FISH FRY DATES ARE SET

Mark your calendars! Those eagerly awaited fish fry dates have been set. They are March 18 and 25 as well as April 8 and 15.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Sign-up sheets for helping with the Fish Fries and for bringing desserts are on the table at the rear of the

church. Please sign up to help.

ST. JOSEPH FEAST DAY

We will be celebrating our parish patronal fest day - the Feast of St. Joseph - on March 19. We will be having a parish dinner on that Saturday evening. Please watch the bulletin for more details. We also will be praying a novena to St. Joseph as we approach his feast day on March 19.

ST. JOSEPH DINNER SIGN-UP

We need to know how many people will be attending the parish dinner on Saturday, March 19. This dinner is completely free and everyone in the parish is invited. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church or call Sharon at 253-2459 and leave your name or a message if no answer.

IDENTIFYING YOUR RISK - DISEASE PREVENTION

St. Joseph Church will host a health screening event on Friday, April 1, 2011 for residents in and around Springfield. The event is also being sponsored by Life Line Screening. Life Line will screen for:

1. Carotid Artery Blockage (Stroke)
2. Atrial fibrillation (Heart Rhythm Screening)
3. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening
4. Peripheral Arterial Disease (Plaque Buildup)
5. Osteoporosis (Bone Loss)

The screenings are recommended for everyone age 50 and older, or 40 and over with cardiovascular risk factors. They are non-invasive, painless, and take 60 - 90 minutes to complete. The results, are mailed directly to you, will help you and your doctor protect your health. Stroke, Vascular and Heart Rhythm Package for \$139.00. Call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners to schedule your appointment.

PLANNING FOR LENT

Just a head's up to mark your calendars for Lent: each Wednesday there will be Mass at 6 p.m. as well as the usual 8 a.m. morning mass and there will be Stations of the Cross each Friday at 6:30 p.m., except for March 18 when it will be at 6 p.m. because of a 7 p.m. speaker. Holy Week service and reconciliation

times will be announced later.



RE HAPPENINGS

Mass for grades 7-8 will be at 7:10 on Mar. 2nd.

Reminder: The parties for the students who donated items to St. Joseph, Omaha will be on February 23. Fourth, Fifth, and Eighth grades will have pizza, so plan meals accordingly.

No RE on March 9 due to Ash Wednesday.

Television and film actor Frank Runyeon will bring his acclaimed performance of *The Gospel of John: The Book of Signs* to St. Joseph Church on Friday, March 18 at 7:30 and on Saturday, March 19 at 8:00 he will shed light, in a humorous way, on the topic of the media's influence today in his speech *Hollywood vs. Faith*. Please make plans to join us.

GIRLS - INTERESTED IN THE MONASTIC LIFE

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 47, who are considering religious life, to spend May 26 - June 1 at their monastery in Tucson, AZ. Experience life in a contemplative monastery, learn about discernment and prayer, and meet others who are discerning a call to the religious life. For more information visit www.benedictinesisters.org. To register: contact Sr. Lupita Barajas at 520-325-6401 or email: vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

STEPHENS' CENTER

Many thanks go out to Mike and Kathy Dineen, and their granddaughter, Rachel McCartney, Janet Podliska and Brittney McGregor for preparing and serving the dinner at the Stephens' Center on Monday, February 21st.

VFW PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Springfield VFW Post 9558 extends an invitation to join them this Sunday for the monthly community breakfast. Held at the Legion Hall in Springfield, breakfast is served from 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. the last Sunday of the month from October through April. The cost is \$6.50 (\$5 for breakfast and a donation of \$1.50) for adults and kids aged 5 to 12 eat for \$3.00. The breakfast includes pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, hash browns, ham and sausage (links and patties. Also included is coffee, orange juice and milk.

NEBRASKA AGRI-WOMEN SCHOLARSHIP

The Nebraska Agri-Women are offering a \$250 scholarship to any student planning on an Agricultural related degree from either a College or a Technical Trade School in Nebraska only. This includes any Agricultural related studies such as diesel mechanics, etc. at a trade school. He or she must complete the first semester of schooling and have at least a "C" average to qualify. Forms can be found on the table at the church entry and MUST be completed and returned by April 1, 2011. Return them to Doris Royal, 16202 Buffalo Road, Springfield or to Jeanette Timmerman, 5401 Highway 3700, Omaha, 68133.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

College Scholarships for Graduating High School Seniors are being offered by The Ladies' Guild and Knights of Columbus. They are offered on a competitive basis to members of the parish who will be graduating from high school this spring and plan to continue their education. Applications are in the KOC mailbox; they must be returned by April 1, 2011. Contact Tim Ihry or Dorothy Foged, if you have questions.

PRO-LIFE STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

All students in grades 7-11 or their equivalent that are attending Catholic schools, Catholic religious formation, or Catholic homeschool in the Archdiocese of Omaha are eligible to participate in the 2011 Archdiocesan Student Pro-Life Essay Contest. Cash prizes will be given to the top three winners in each grade and the first place winners will compete against others in the state for additional awards and cash prizes. The contest begins January 22 and

ends March 23, 2011. Registration forms, theme, and rules are available for download from the Respect Life Omaha Website .

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Here's a chance to win a Tom Osborne/Bo Pelini autographed football! The Springfield Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest for any student in grades 3 through 6 who live in the South Sarpy School District #46 or who attend St. Joseph Catholic Church in Springfield. We hope everyone eligible will enter! Every entry received by November 16th will get a chance to win the football. The **judging and drawing will be held at the Springfield Elementary School gym on November 16th at 6:45 p.m. Entry forms and 11x17 paper can be picked up at Springfield Elementary School, Westmont Elementary School, St. Joseph Church and Springfield Library.**

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