

<i>Mass Intentions:</i>		
18 August	Sun. 9:00 am Sun. 11:30 am	Ken Kalvoda + people of the parish

Collection: 30 June: \$687.00

We continue our reading of *The Sacrament of Charity Sacramentum Caritatis* ON THE EUCHARIST AS THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF THE CHURCH'S LIFE AND MISSION.

In this section the Holy Father wrote about the intrinsic relationship between Celebration and Adoration, "As Saint Augustine put it: "no one eats that flesh without first adoring it; we should sin were we not to adore it." (191) In the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; eucharistic adoration is simply the natural consequence of the eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church's supreme act of adoration. (192) Receiving the Eucharist means adoring him whom we receive. Only in this way do we become one with him, and are given, as it were, a foretaste of the beauty of the heavenly liturgy. The act of adoration outside Mass prolongs and intensifies all that takes place during the liturgical celebration itself. Indeed, "only in adoration can a profound and genuine reception mature. And it is precisely this personal encounter with the Lord that then strengthens the social mission contained in the Eucharist, which seeks to break down not only the walls that separate the Lord and ourselves, but also and especially the walls that separate us from one another."

He heartily recommended Eucharistic Adoration both for individual believers and in community as well as the importance of teaching children especially those preparing for First Holy Communion the meaning and the beauty of spending time with Jesus, and helping to cultivate a sense of awe before his presence in the Eucharist.

Podcasts: On the Sundays of August we are listening to the Gospel of St. John chapter 6 where we encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life. Here are a couple podcasts by Irish Scripture scholar Frances Hogan that will help us to go deeper in the Word. From the Shalom World Podcast Voyage on the Gospel of St. John: Episode 26 – Jesus' Divine Revelation and the Bread of Life, Episode 27 – The Eucharist as the Bread of Life, and from her Bible Study Voyage on the Book of Exodus Episode 19 – Food for the Soul

This week in the parish 12 August to 18 August:

Office hours this week are Mon, Wed, Thu and Friday 7pm - 8:30pm Please check our social media and our website as updates become available and sign up for Flocknote.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

11 August 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CONFESSIONS: Sunday 8:30-8:50 am, after the 11:30 Mass
& By appointment

DAILY MASSES: *No Daily Mass, at this time.*
See bulletin for area daily Mass times.

SUNDAY MASSES: Sunday — 9:00 am
11:30 am (Español)

Religious Education:
Children & Youth Sunday 10:00 am - 11:15 am
Adult Education: TBD

NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Mass Schedule Week of August 12th.: Daily Mass will be at 7:30 am Monday to Friday. No Saturday evening Mass this week August 17th. A Saturday Mass time will be decided soon.

Feast of the Assumption: There will be a vigil Mass at 6:30 pm Wednesday August 14th and Mass on the feast day will be 7:30 am.

CCD Registration and first day of classes: CCD registration for all students k-8 will begin Wednesday August 7th. the form can be found in the back of the church and on line at www.st-joseph-harvard.com. The expected first day of class will be August 25th. Anyone interested in teaching please contact Fr. Clinch or Theresa.

Coffee & Rolls: There will be coffee and rolls on August 18th after the 9am Mass to welcome Fr. Hoelsing.

Flocknote: Flocknote is the safe environment preferred communication platform for our diocese. Our parish Flocknote address is *stjosephharvard1.flocknote.com* and Text



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- St. Joseph Prayer Chain:

- +For all the poor souls in Purgatory
- +For the end to abortion
- +For our Holy Fathers-Pope Francis, bishops, priests, sisters and brothers
- +For all seminarians, especially those at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
- +For our youth to accept and grow in vocations
- +For world peace, and our servicemen and women
- +For the Knights of Columbus prayer requests
- +For fallen away Catholics

Edith Weber	Cecilia Meeza	Dan Adler (Sem)	Virginia Miller
Teresa Volesky	Alyssa O.	Jolene Markland	Angel Valdivia
Brad Oschner	Juan Slazar	Emily Howard	Dennis Reddick
Cesaria Gabriel	Cecilia Martel	Erica Lauinger	Randy Schulte
Bill Kerber	Cathy Kamost	Salvador Palas	Shirley McCabe
Jordan Ortmeier	Fr. Allan Phan	Kelem Fabrice	Garry Veik
Sharon Reasland	Nancy Sapp	Randy Chloupek	Tony Stec
Diane Walz & family	Shirley Koenig	Andrea Ainsworth	Mary Verde
Jeff Weber	Joseph Verde	Kevin Chloupek	Wayne Alley
Maggie Cooney Lynch	Jim Jackson		

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-772-7381) or Shirley Koenig (402-984-0692).

Pray for Vocations: This week please pray for those discerning their vocations to the priesthood or religious life. Especially for those within our own diocese.

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”

Mk 6:31

I hope many will receive this invitation of Jesus in the Gospel to go on a retreat. We are blessed in the Diocese of Lincoln to have Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly, NE. Our retreat house offers preached retreats as well as silent

Ignatian Retreats with individual meetings with a spiritual director (4 day and 8 day). Check out the upcoming schedule for this fall: <https://goodcounselretreat.org/our-retreats/>

Going away to a retreat house helps us to intentionally make space for silence and prayer to encounter Jesus. St. John Paul II wrote, “...we cannot come to the fullness of contemplation of the Lord's face by our own efforts alone, but by allowing grace to take us by the hand. Only the experience of *silence and prayer* offers the proper setting for the growth and development of a true, faithful and consistent knowledge of that mystery which finds its culminating expression in the solemn proclamation by the Evangelist Saint John: "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father" (1:14). I encourage us to prayerfully consider going on a retreat this year. If time is an issue, let's ask the Lord for the courage to make time. If insufficient money to pay for the retreat is an issue, please reach out to me and we will find a way through scholarships. One can ask the Holy Spirit's help to be creative to find the time. For example, a married couple could not make it to a retreat house but they were able to do a “stay at home” retreat, making time for one holy hour a day for 40 days and meeting their parish priest weekly for spiritual direction. We will find great peace in the time we give to Jesus. *Fr. Clinch*

Feast of the Assumption: Thursday August 15 we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We read in the Catechism 966 "Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death."⁵⁰⁶ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians: In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death.