

Mass Intentions:		
9 September	Mon. 7:30 am	priest's intention
10 September	Tues. 7:30 am	Students & Staff at HCS
11 September	Wed. 7:30 am	priest's intention
12 September	Thur. 7:30 am	Staff & Volunteers at CSS
13 September	Fri. 7:30 am	priest's intention
14 September	Sat. 7:30 am	No Mass
15 September	Sun. 9:00 am Sun. 11:30 am	Ken Kalvoda + people of the parish

Parish Activities:

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Living a Catholic Life: What Is Conscience? "In the classical tradition, conscience is far more broadly conceived and flexibly placed in relation to the virtue of prudence. As such, it has a less extreme and more moderate character. It is neither so quickly absolute, nor so paralyzingly inhibitive, as in our modern era, and the phrase "following one's conscience" conveys less of a sense of excruciating difficulty and imminent martyrdom. What then is conscience? St. Thomas Aquinas clarifies the notion in his Summa theologiae I.79.3. His discussion of conscience is significantly limited to one article, indicating its partial role within the overall workings of prudence toward a moral judgment. Although conscience can designate the habit of synderesis, or knowledge of first practical principles, conscience more properly designates the act of applying the knowledge of first principles to individual cases (Veritatis splendor, n. 59)." ... to be continued next week.

"Living a Catholic Life" is a collaboration between dioceses, parishes, Knights of Columbus councils, grassroots organizations, and The National Catholic Bioethics Center to educate the laity on principles of the moral life and their application. This column was adapted from D. Beauregard, "What Is Conscience Anyway?," Ethics & Medics 21.1 (January 1996).

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
8 September 2024
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Or by appointment

DAILY MASSES: Monday -Friday 7:30 am.

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

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Thu and Friday 7pm - 8:30pm and Saturday 12pm - 5pm.
 Phone Messages and email are checked daily.

NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Harvard Senior Community Meal: The September community meal will be on Thursday September 12th from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. Cost is \$6. Please R.S. V. P to Elaine Almond (402) 224-0732 by 7:00pm Sunday September 8th.

CCD Registration and classes: CCD registration for all students k-8 is ongoing. Registration forms can be found in the back of the church and online at www.st-joseph-harvard.com. The next day of class will be September 8th.

Knights of Columbus meeting: The next Knights of Columbus meeting is Sunday Sept. 8th at St. Mary's in Sutton. 5:40 p.m. Rosary, meeting at 6:00 p.m. with food served afterwards.

Altar Society Meeting with Coffee & Rolls: There will be an Altar Society meeting after the 9am Mass next Sunday September 15th. The agenda will include the Soup Supper and electing officers.



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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 Lynch	Jim Jackson	Greg Almond	Rita Mach

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-224-0732) 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.

Seminarian Prayer Calendar: Please pray in a special way this week for seminarian Dylan Beck studying at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

Flocknote: Please Remember to sign up! Flocknote is the safe environment preferred communication platform for our diocese. Our parish Flocknote address is *stjosephharvard1.flocknote.com* and Text to Join is available by Texting STJHN1 to 84576 for English or for Spanish text (202)765-3441.

Memorial for the Unborn: Saturday, September 14th at 9 AM at the site of the Unborn Babies Memorial at Parkview Cemetery, 1246 N Elm, Hastings, Nebraska there will be a memorial service for the unborn. This event is in conjunction with the National Day of Remembrance for Unborn Aborted babies held across the United States. Solemn vigils will be held throughout the United States to commemorate the more than 65 million babies who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Our guest speakers, Senator Steve Halloran & Dan Lonowski, will each give a short talk after our opening prayer.

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.* Living in accordance with the Lord's Day “72. From the beginning Christians were clearly conscious of this radical newness which the Eucharist brings to human life. The faithful immediately perceived the profound influence of the eucharistic celebration on their manner of life. Saint Ignatius of Antioch expressed this truth when he called Christians "those who have attained a new hope," and described them as "those living in accordance with the Lord's Day" (*iuxta dominicam viventes*). (204) This phrase of the great Antiochene martyr highlights the connection between the reality of the Eucharist and everyday Christian life. The Christians' customary practice of gathering on the first day after the Sabbath to celebrate the resurrection of Christ – according to the account of Saint Justin Martyr(205) – is also what defines the form of a life renewed by an encounter with Christ. Saint Ignatius' phrase – "living in accordance with the Lord's Day" – also emphasizes that this holy day becomes paradigmatic for every other day of the week. Indeed, it is defined by something more than the simple suspension of one's ordinary activities, a sort of parenthesis in one's usual daily rhythm. Christians have always experienced this day as the first day of the week, since it commemorates the radical newness brought by Christ. Sunday is thus the day when Christians rediscover the eucharistic form which their lives are meant to have. "Living in accordance with the Lord's Day" means living in the awareness of the liberation brought by Christ and making our lives a constant self-offering to God, so that his victory may be fully revealed to all humanity through a profoundly renewed existence.” Last fall we read St. John Paul II Apostolic Letter *Dies Domini* and reflected on the great importance of the Lord's Day— that it is vital to celebrate and join in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly so to live our faith and share fully in the life of the Christian community.