

<i>Mass Intentions:</i>		
<i>28 July</i>	Sun. 9:00 am Sun. 11:30 am	Marvel Baxa + 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.

Next, Pope Benedict writes about Active Participation in the Mass, "It should be made clear that the word "participation" does not refer to mere external activity during the celebration. In fact, the active participation called for by the Council must be understood in more substantial terms, on the basis of a greater awareness of the mystery being celebrated and its relationship to daily life. The conciliar Constitution Sacrosanctum Concilium encouraged the faithful to take part in the eucharistic liturgy not "as strangers or silent spectators," but as participants "in the sacred action, conscious of what they are doing, actively and devoutly" (156). This exhortation has lost none of its force. The Council went on to say that the faithful "should be instructed by God's word, and nourished at the table of the Lord's Body. They should give thanks to God. Offering the immaculate Victim, not only through the hands of the priest but also together with him, they should learn to make an offering of themselves. Through Christ, the Mediator, they should be drawn day by day into ever more perfect union with God and each other" (157). After speaking about participation and priestly ministry, the Eucharistic Celebration and inculturation, he continues with the attitude necessary for fruitful participation—a spirit of constant conversion. "This inner disposition can be fostered, for example, by recollection and silence for at least a few moments before the beginning of the liturgy, by fasting and, when necessary, by sacramental confession. A heart reconciled to God makes genuine participation possible. The faithful need to be reminded that there can be no "active participation" in the sacred mysteries without an accompanying effort to participate actively in the life of the Church as a whole, including a missionary commitment to bring Christ's love into the life of society." He will speak more on this in part three.

This week in the parish July 22 to July 28:

Office hours the week of July 22 to July 28 are Wed, Thu and Friday 7pm - 8:30pm with Saturday 12pm to 5pm. Please check our social media and our website as updates become available and sign up for Flocknote.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 July 2024

16th 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:

MAGNIFICAT SUMMER PRAYER MEAL—Saturday August 10, 9:30 a.m. at Dawson Hall, John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln, with guest speaker Lora Unger. Lora is a wife, married to Chance for 11 years; a mother with four children here on earth and three in Heaven; and a co-founder of the "Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family" with her husband under the spiritual guide of Father Ben Holdren. Come hear Lora's inspiring testimony, and invite other women to join us in Catholic fellowship. Register by mailing your \$20 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. (students \$15) Deadline is August 3. For more information text Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396 or call and leave a message. (Dawson Hall is handicap accessible, east doors of the Chapel)

Flocknote: 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. Don't forget to download the app in the app store.



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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.

Protect Women and Children Ballot initiative petition: Shelly Chloupek has copies of the ballot initiative petition that can be signed by any registered Nebraska voter.

“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*

Mission Appeal - *The ministry of Polish Redemptorists in the East – August 24/25th Fr. Janusz Sok*
Dear Parishioners

The Missionary Cooperation Plan helps to spread the gospel, build churches and communities around the world. This year I invite you to support the missionary work of Polish Redemptorists in the East. We have been working in the former Soviet Union for 30 years. At present, we are helping those affected by the war in Ukraine and run five parishes in Russia, one in Kazakhstan, five in Belarus. This is an unpresidential time and we need to stand firm for peace working together to bridge the chasm created by war. The Polish Redemptorists with your help will be able to do so in a more efficient way. As a people of faith, we look forward to the future believing that the best is still ahead of us.

I'm sincerely grateful to the **Diocese of Lincoln** for choosing the Polish Redemptorists-Mission in Russia to do the Mission Appeal in your Parish. Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless you for your generous support through the Missionary Cooperation Plan. Rev. Dariusz Paszynski CSSR

Provincial Superior of the Warsaw Province