

<i>Mass Intentions:</i>		
<i>12 may</i>	Sun. 9:00 am Sun. 11:30 am	People of the parish People of the parish

**Collection: March 31, 2024 \$ 357.00**

**Bishop's Annual Charity and Stewardship Appeal:** Thank you to our parishioners who generously give to this appeal which helps fund many diocesan programs and our parish benefits greatly since we support Hastings Catholic Schools. After we meet our goal, we receive refunds that impact our overall operating budget. Looking at the last three years our contributions to this appeal have decreased which means less refunds coming back to our parish. Will you prayerfully consider making a pledge to CSA and help our Diocese and our Parish of St. Joseph?

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 these final paragraphs of part 1, Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that the Holy Eucharist is a foretaste of the Eternal Banquet of Heaven where we will have the fulfillment of our heart's desire which only God's love can give. Christ gives us Himself— perfect food for the journey and our final goal. "The eucharistic celebration, in which we proclaim that Christ has died and risen, and will come again, is a pledge of the future glory in which our bodies too will be glorified." We hope to see our loved ones again, with this in mind it is good to pray for the dead, "especially the offering of Mass for them, so that, once purified, they can come to the beatific vision of God." Mary's Assumption body and soul into heaven is for us a sign of sure hope, for it shows us, on our pilgrimage through time, the eschatological goal of which the sacrament of the Eucharist enables us even now to have a foretaste. May we learn to receive Jesus' gift of Himself in the Eucharist as she did, with great faith and humility.

*Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Clinch*

**Ascension Thursday:** Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation in the US. There will be a 7p.m. vigil Mass on Wednesday May 8th here at St. Joseph's. There will be no Mass here on Ascension Thursday. See the bulletin for local Mass times. Additional Mass times may be available. Check with the individual parishes to confirm times as needed.

## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

5 May 2024

6th Sunday of Easter



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**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:**

**CSA & Coffee & Rolls:** Today, May 5th there is coffee and Rolls following the 9am Mass. CSA pledge cards are available for pickup.

**Nebraska Primary Election:** The Nebraska primary is on May 14th. All registered voters are encouraged to vote. There are very important initiatives on the ballot this year, especially 2 initiatives regarding abortion one is pro-life and the other is pro-abortion. More information on these initiatives will be coming next week.

**Harvard Senior Community Meal:** The senior community meal will be held on May 9th from 11:30am - 2:00pm at the Harvard United Methodist Church. Cost is \$6. Please RSVP to Elaine Almond (402)772-7381 by 7pm May 5th.

**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.

## - 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			

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. In a special way, please pray for Sr. Xuan Sang with the Sisters of Mary. Queen of Mercy.

### Area Parishes:

**St. Cecilia - Hastings: 7th & Kansas (402) 463-1336**

**Daily Mass M- F: 7am & 12:10pm, Sat 7am**

**Sunday Mass: Vigil (Sat) 5:00pm**

**Sunday: 8am, 10 am, 1:00 pm (Spanish) & 7:30p**

**St. Mary - Sutton: 107 Ivy Street. (402) 773-5346**

**Daily Mass: Times vary, see website: [www.stmarysutton.org](http://www.stmarysutton.org)**

**Sunday Mass: Vigil (Sat) 5:30pm (Sutton)**

**Sunday: 9 am (Sutton)**

**Sunday: 11 am (Grafton)**

**St. Mary - Aurora: 1420- 9th Street (402) 694-2455**

**Daily Mass M, TU, Thu, Fri: 7:30 am & Sat 8am**

**Sunday Mass: Vigil (Sat) 5:00pm**

**Sunday: 8:15 am**

**Great Adventure Bible Study:** In cooperation with Jeff Cavins and Ascension Press, Spirit Catholic Radio brings you *The Great Adventure – Your Journey Through the Bible*. Learn how the people, places, and events of the Bible all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. Upcoming schedule: The Bible Timeline begins April 16, 2024, airing on Tuesdays at 11am and replays at 8pm. Matthew begins April 25, 2024, airing on Thursdays at 11am and replays at 8pm. Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and the Life begins May 11, airing on Saturday at 7am and replays Sunday at 8pm. A discount on materials also available! More details at [spiritcatholicradio.com/adventure](http://spiritcatholicradio.com/adventure)

### **Rogation Day:**

Farmers of St. Joseph's, if you would like a blessing for your fields, call the parish office and Fr. Clinch will plan to visit for a short blessing May 6,7, or 8.

**2024 Bishop's Charity & Stewardship Appeal:** Next weekend May 5th will be the first weekend for the Charity & Stewardship Appeal. Pledge cards will be available to be picked up in the parish hall after the 9am Mass.

### **This week in the parish May 6 to May 12:**

*Office hours the week of May 6 to May 12 are* Mon, Wed, Thurs & Friday 7pm - 8:30pm; Saturday 9am -5pm. Please check our social media and our website as updates become available and sign up for Flocknote.

**Flocknote:** Flocknote is the safe environment preferred communication platform for our diocese. Our parish Flocknote address is [stjosephharvard1.flocknote.com](https://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.

**Parish Clean-up Day:** We will have a parish clean-up day on Saturday May 18th starting at 10am. Please let Theresa and or Shelly know if you can help.