

SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

January 27th, 2018

Father William Holoubek

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St. Mary Church

1625 Adams Street, Ashland
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass 8:30 AM



St. Joseph Church

7 Oak Street, Greenwood
Sunday Mass 10:30 AM

online

Parish: StMaryAshland.org
StJosephGreenwood.org

Diocese: www.lincolndiocese.org

Preschool

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Mass/Service schedule for this week (StM-

Ashland, StJ-Greenwood, CC-Care Center, OxB-OxBow)			
Mon	28	StM	8:00am All Souls Day Intentions
Tue	29	StM	8:00am +Ernie Sabatka
Wed	30	CC	9:00am +Larry Hesel
Thu	31	StM	8:00am All Souls Day Intentions
Fri	1	StM	8:00am +Joseph & Anastasia Sousek
Sat	2	StM	8:00am Pastor's Intention
Sat	2	OxB	9:15am Pastor's Intention
Sat	2	StM	5:00pm Maggie Owens
Sun	3	StM	8:30am Gregg Rueschhoff
		StJ	10:30am People of the Parish

Confession before Masses - any other time,
call the rectory

Sat	StM	4:00-4:50pm
Sun	StM	8:00-8:20am
	StJ	10:10-10:20am

Readings and Celebrations this week

Mon 28	Heb 9:15,24-28 / Mk 3:22-30 <i>St. Thomas Aquinas</i>
Tue 29	Heb 10:1-10 / Mk 3:31-35
Wed 30	Heb 10:11-18 / Mk 4:1-20
Thu 31	Heb 10:19-25 / Mk 4:21-25 <i>St. John Bosco</i>
Fri 1	Heb 10:32-39 / Mk 4:26-34 <i>First Friday</i>
Sat 2	Mal 3:1-4 / Heb 2:14-18 / Lk 2:22-40 <i>The Presentation of the Lord; First Saturday</i>
Sun 3	Jer 1:4-5,17-19 / 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 / Lk 4:21-30 <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>

Please pray this week for seminarian Liam O'Shea-Creal (Theology 1).

Check Out the Website! Please visit the parish website www.StMaryAshland.org for parish registration forms, e-giving, and for information on our parish activities and organizations.

Ministries for Next Week

Sat	Feb 2	5:00pm
	Acolyte	James Wilsey
	Lector	Anthony Weaver
	Servers	Servers Needed
Sun	Feb 3	8:30am
	Acolyte	Craig Buescher
	Lector	Marge Buescher
	Servers	Servers Needed
Sun	Feb 3	10:30am
	Lector	Jeanine VanLaningham
	Offertory	Krings

This Thursday is the Memorial of St. John Bosco. Celebrate (with Mass, of course, and) by watching the movie “St. John Bosco” by Ignatius Press. Check out Formed.org for this movie and many other FREE resources. Please log on and sign up. You will be asked for your parish code. It is **64C8RQ**.

Happy Birthday! Timothy Thaden Sherry Dea
Helen Fankhauser Elnore Ortiz Matthew Campbell
Loraine Ebert Shelly Lindhorst George von Rentzell

Our Return to the Lord, January 19-20

	StM	StJ
Adult	\$ 1,327.00	\$ 180.00
Plate	156.60	5.00
Candles	19.10	0.00
Total	\$ 1,502.70	\$ 185.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00	\$ 514.00

Parish Announcements

Children’s Choir Practice for the Children’s Mass on February 3rd will be held after CCD this week, Wednesday, **January 30th**, from 7:45-8pm, and before the Mass on **February 3rd** from 8-8:30am. Please have your children there at the scheduled times so we have time to practice together. Thank you for sharing your children with us, we love hearing their voices!

Book Club Beat the winter blahs with a good book! We will generally meet the fourth Thursday of the month, but due to the weather this past week, we will be meeting this Thursday, **January 31st** at 7pm in the church basement. We are reading the book “Be Healed” by Bob

Schuchts. If you are interested, please contact Cheryl Reisen at 402-944-7692.

First Friday Adoration Please consider spending an hour in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament this Friday. Adoration is held every First Friday beginning with Exposition following Friday morning’s Mass and ending with Saturday morning’s 8am Mass. A potluck breakfast is also held following the Friday morning Mass.

So you could not stay awake with me for even an hour? Please consider spending an hour with Jesus in the Eucharist during First Friday adoration. Your presence is welcome anytime during the 24 hours of adoration following the First Friday morning Mass, but especially **consider taking the hour from and 6-7pm**, as it does not currently have coverage. If you can cover this hour, please contact Walt Del Vecchio at 402-521-2069.

First Saturday Devotion Please join in praying the Rosary and meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary from 8:30-9:30am Saturday after the 8am Mass. This prayer and meditation, in addition to receiving Communion and going to Confession, done with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, fulfills the First Saturday of five consecutive months devotion as revealed by Our Lady of Fatima.

First Sunday Coffee and Rolls Join us downstairs after 8:30am Children’s Mass and Choir **next Sunday, February 3rd**, for coffee and rolls hosted by the Altar Society.

SKY Camp & Leadership Camp Registration Online registration is open for SKY Camp and Leadership Camp! Camp Kateri is also looking for youth counselors and adult volunteers for all summer camp programs. To learn more about these outdoor experiences, to register your child, or to download an application form, go to www.campkateri.org.

Sponsors Needed! Sky Camp is a powerful experience providing all the fun activities of sleep-away summer camp with the all-important addition of our Catholic faith. For many of our children, it is hard to find friends their age who are also practicing Catholics. Being around so many other kids practicing the faith greatly reinforces their own. However, the camps cost \$155-\$195, which can be expensive for families, especially when compared

to local non-Catholic Christian camps which are free (but do not support our children's Catholic beliefs). Please consider being a Sky Camp sponsor for the youth of our parishes – you can sponsor at any amount, but we'd suggest considering a half (\$77.50 or \$97.50) or a whole (\$155 or \$195) sponsorship. If you can be a sponsor, please put your contribution in an envelope in the collection, designated as Sky Camp sponsorship. The sponsorship program was very successful last year as we had 15 of our youth attend Sky Camp in 2018, compared to just 4 youth in 2017. Please contact Joanna Torpy (joannatorpy@gmail.com) for more information. Thank you!

2019 Envelopes Please check the back of the church for your 2019 envelopes. If you do not see a box in your name and would like envelopes, please contact the rectory.

2018 Year End Tax Statements are now available in the back of the church.

HELP!! WE NEED MEAL VOLUNTEERS starting with the March meal! We have youth in our community who are hungry, both physically and spiritually, and you can help feed them. Please consider providing a meal for the ROC Youth Center. See the signup sheet in the back of the church for more details and to sign up. If 45-50 kids seems like a lot to prepare for, it is, so consider banding together with a few other families to put together (or purchase) a meal. Thank you to all who have been donating time, effort, and food to this cause!!

Community Announcements

January Food Requests Please leave donations in the boxes in the back of the church.

- **VFW Food Pantry** laundry and dish soap
- **Kids' Cupboard** cereal

Lincoln Food Bank The Lincoln Food Bank will be distributing food at the Ashland VFW parking lot tomorrow, **January 28th**, from 3-4pm, directly from the truck. So, **this month only, no volunteers are needed.**

Greenwood Community Food Pantry If you need food, please contact Cindy Rex (402-789-7265), Beth Massa (402-540-8537), or Jarid Massa (402-430-0238) for confidential assistance with your food needs.

Diocesan Announcements

Vote for Your Favorite Catholic School! Catholic Schools Week is January 27th - February 2nd. During this time each year, Spirit Catholic Radio promotes the *Superstar Catholic School Contest* to shine a light on Catholic education in our communities. All Catholic elementary and high schools in Nebraska and western Iowa are eligible to receive your vote for the best school. This year's contest will run from **January 28th - February 8th**. Winning schools in each category will receive bigger and better prizes this year, including a grand prize of \$1,000 of free on-air promotion! Support Catholic education by voting online for your favorite Catholic school at spiritcatholicradio.com/superstar!

Natural Family Planning - Creighton Model The Creighton Model Fertility Care System is a system of natural family planning that helps couples achieve or avoid pregnancy based on their knowledge of their fertility cycles. The remaining **January** session is the **29th**. Go online to register or download a registration form at www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp.

Unbound Retreat with Fr. Holoubek Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly invites you to a weekend Unbound Retreat **February 1-3**. Entitled "Breaking Free from Spiritual Wounds", the retreat is for men and women of all ages. It begins Friday, February 1st, at 8pm with rosary and First Friday Mass, and ends Sunday, February 3rd, with Mass and lunch. Registration and information at www.goodcounselretreat.com or 402-786-2705.

Retrouvaille A weekend experience with follow-up sessions for troubled marriages that helps couples rebuild loving relationships. Retrouvaille is offered twice a year with the next weekend being **February 15th-17th**. Please contact the Office of Family Life at 402-473-0620 for more information.

Give Your Spouse a Special Gift Sign up now for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day! For more information call Pat & Janelle Benson (308) 940-1105 or visit WWME.org. Upcoming dates:

February 15-17 in Nebraska City- Lied Lodge - **call ASAP**

March 29-31 in Hastings- Comfort Inn

August 2-4 in Lincoln- Staybridge Suites

October 18-20 in Chadron- Holiday Inn Express

Deadline to register is 1 month prior to the date of the weekend

The Catholic Coffee House is an adult faith formation series held at Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln from 7-8:30pm. The theme for this year is “Navigating the Church Now.” The fourth and last presentation is **February 17th**, and is entitled “How to Live Prayerfully in Difficulty” by Matt Simmons. This series is oriented towards being in the church in the current climate of scandal. Each session includes prayer, a presentation, and Q&A. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0619 for questions.

TEC Teens Encounter Christ is a three-day retreat for high school juniors and seniors, and college freshmen and sophomores that focuses on the Paschal Mystery. A great chance to learn more about having a relationship with God and meet new people. The upcoming retreats are **February 16-18** in Wahoo, **April 27-29** at Camp Kateri, and **June 8-10** in David City. For more information, call the Youth Ministry Office at 402-473-0625. To register, go to

Immaculee Ilibagiza Retreat will be held at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in West Point, **March 22-23**. Immaculee Ilibagiza, a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan Genocide and author of the book “Left to Tell”, will bring her message of forgiveness, healing, and hope to all who attend. Cost is \$57 for one, or \$76 for two. For details, tickets, and registration visit www.immaculee.com, or contact RaNae O’Brien at ranaeobrien1@gmail.com.

QUEST is a retreat for young Catholics who are freshmen and sophomores in high school. It is designed to bring young people together to seek out a deeper understanding and appreciation of themselves, others, and God. Cost is \$80 for the retreat. The next QUEST Retreat is **March 23-24** at St. Joseph Church in Auburn, NE. For more information, call the Youth Ministry Office at 402-473-0625. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/quest>.

Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines September 9th - 20th with Monsignor Timothy Thorburn. This pilgrimage will travel thru Portugal, Spain and France and include visits to the Holy sites of Fatima and Lourdes. If you are interested in learning more you can visit Tekton Ministries (www.tektonministries.org) or contact Dan Rosenthal at 402-430-2797 or email dan@regaeng.com

Position Open Bishop Neumann Catholic High School in Wahoo is looking for a daytime maintenance/janitor.

Timeliness, attention to details, and a strong work ethic are important qualifications. Experience in plumbing/electrical is an advantage. This is a full-time position with the shift running Monday-Friday 7:30am-4pm. The pay will be negotiated based on experience. Please contact Fr. Morin or Mr. Kreikemeier at 402-443-4151 or you can email Fr. Morin at fr.mike-morin@cdolinc.net.

Engaged Encounter provides talks, discussions, and prayer time to help engaged couples prepare intellectually and spiritually for their Sacrament of Marriage, and is required for all couples marrying in the diocese. Retreat weekends fill quickly so couples are encouraged to register 3-6 months prior to the scheduled weekend. Visit <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/marriage-family/engaged-encounter> for more information, dates, and to register.

Fertility Problems? Pope Paul VI Institute in Omaha is in full compliance with the teachings of the Church. 402-390-6600 or www.popepaulvi.com

Pray and Fast on Tuesdays PLEASE we need people praying for mothers to choose life for their babies. Please consider praying and fasting on Tuesdays for this cause.

Knights of Columbus Open to all Catholic men, this group meets the first Thursday of the month at 7pm.

St. Mary Altar Society This group includes all women of the parish and meets the second Thursday of the month at 7pm (excluding the summer months Jun-Aug). On Facebook “Ashland St. Mary’s Altar Society”.

St. Joseph Altar Society This group includes all women of the parish and meets the third Thursday of the month at 7pm.

Young Women’s Group This group meets bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 8pm. Please contact Maggie Onwiler at onwilerm@gmail.com for more information.

Eucharistic Adoration Call Walt Del Vecchio at 402-521-2069 if you are interested in a holy hour on First Friday/First Saturday.

Hall Rental Call Karen Romans at 402-521-0272. There is no cost to rent the hall, but a donation of \$25 is suggested.

Suppers for the Soul Call Jackie Fudge at 402-944-7600 if you or someone you know could use some meal assistance due to illness, recovery, new baby, etc.

Prayer Chain Call Winnie von Rentzell at 402-944-2706, or email her at wv30728@windstream.net, to place a prayer request or to join the prayer chain.

Bulletin Send bulletin announcements to Joanna Torpy at joannatorpy@gmail.com by midday Wednesday. All announcements will be approved by Father.