

# SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

Father William Holoubek

8<sup>th</sup> 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](http://StMaryAshland.org)  
[StJosephGreenwood.org](http://StJosephGreenwood.org)

Diocese: [www.lincolndiocese.org](http://www.lincolndiocese.org)

### Preschool

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## Mass/Service schedule for this week (StM-

Ashland, StJ-Greenwood, CC-Care Center, OxB-OxBow)

Mon	4	-----	-----	No Mass
Tue	5	StM	8:00am	+Maurice Current

### Ash Wednesday Masses:

Wed	6	StM	7:00am	Pastor's Intention
Wed	6	StJ	5:30pm	All Souls Day Intentions
Wed	6	StM	7:00pm	CCD Students, Teachers, Parents

Thu	7	CC	9:00am	Meehan Family
Thu	7	StM	6:30pm	Pastor's Intention
Fri	8	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Sat	9	OxB	9:15am	Pastor's Intention
Sat	9	StM	5:00pm	+Maurice Vandewalle
Sun	10	StM	8:30am	+Walt Macaitis
		StJ	10:30am	People of the Parish

## Confession before Masses, or call the rectory

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

**Ash Wednesday Requirements:** Don't forget that this Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. Fasting is eating only one full meal with two smaller meals (snacks) that together do not exceed the full meal with only water between meals. Fasting is obligatory for all Catholics ages 18-59. Abstinence is not eating meat (or gravy from meat) and obliges all Catholics age 14 and up. Please remember that all Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross - Friday, 6:30pm** at St. Mary Church, preceded by a meatless potluck supper at 5:45pm in the basement.

**Check Out the Website!** Please visit the parish website [www.StMaryAshland.org](http://www.StMaryAshland.org) for parish registration forms, e-giving, and for information on our parish activities and organizations.

## Readings and Celebrations this week

Mon 4	Sir 17:20-24 / Mk 10:17-27 <i>St. Casimir</i>
Tue 5	Sir 35:1-12 / Mk 10:28-31
Wed 6	Jl 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 / Mt 6:1-6,16-18 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>
Thu 7	Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25 <i>Sts. Perpetua &amp; Felicity</i>
Fri 8	Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15 <i>St. John of God</i>
Sat 9	Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32 <i>St. Frances of Rome</i>
Sun 10	Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13 <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>

Please pray this week for seminarian Alec Sasse (Theology 3).

### Ministries for This Week

Wed	Mar 6	7:00pm
	Acolyte	Dave Romans
	Lector	Walt Del Vecchio
Sat	Mar 9	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Tom Lindhorst
	Lector	Shelly Lindhorst
Sun	Mar 10	8:30am
	Acolyte	Craig Buescher
	Lector	Marge Buescher
Sun	Mar 10	10:30am
	Lector	Jeanine VanLaningham
	Offertory	Sundermeier

**Happy Birthday!** Fernando Ortiz Derek Morales-Rodriguez Veronica Chairez Cheryl Holbrook Tanya Keith Lisa McConnell Phil Onwiler Reagan Queen Thomas Styskal Deborah Whaley Halie Lewin Jerry Fudge Leslie Krings Celeste Webster Edward Bruneteau Deb Hoffman Rod Reisen Eileen Thaden

### Our Return to the Lord, February 16-17

	<u>StM</u>	<u>StJ</u>
Adult	\$ 1,172.00	\$ 265.00
Plate	93.25	8.00
Catholic Press	0.00	15.00
Candles	43.00	0.00
Total	\$ 1,308.25	\$ 288.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00	\$ 514.00

### Our Return to the Lord, February 23-24

	<u>StM</u>	<u>StJ</u>
Adult	\$ 886.00	\$ 120.00
Plate	71.35	15.00
Catholic Press	120.00	0.00
Candles	13.75	0.00
Total	\$ 1,091.10	\$ 135.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00	\$ 514.00

## Parish Announcements

**First Sunday Coffee and Rolls** Join us downstairs after today's 8:30am Children's Mass and Choir for coffee and rolls hosted by the Altar Society.

**Thank you** to all who helped with the World Marriage Day Dinner and the Father-Daughter Dance – a great time was had by all! Thank you also to all First Friday Adorers, our choir and musicians, and those who bring meals and food to the rectory (Hoffman, Stille, Reisen, von Rentzell, Isaacson, and Luetkenhaus families, just to name a few)!

**St. Joseph Assessment** Due to the shortfall in pledges paid in to the Vocations Appeal by December 31, 2018, St. Joseph Parish was assessed \$740.

**Interested in learning more about the Faith?** Father is offering Symbolon Faith inquiry classes on **Tuesday** nights at 7:15pm in the church basement. All are welcome!

**Knights of Columbus** will be meeting this Thursday, **March 7<sup>th</sup>**, in the church basement at 7pm, following the 6:30pm Mass.

**Volunteer to Care Center Needed** Father is looking for someone to lead a short service of the Sunday readings at 9:15am on the first Sunday of every month at the Ashland Care Center. An acolyte would bring Communion for the Catholic residents. If you would be able to help with this ministry, please let Father know.

**Altar Society Booklets and Dues** All ladies of the parish are part of the Altar Society. Every year, we ask members to contribute \$20 in dues, which primarily pays for the weekly cleaning of the church. Dues envelopes are included in the Altar Society 2019 booklets, which are available in the back of the church. If you are able, please pay your 2019 dues using the envelopes provided (or in

any envelope marked "Altar Society Dues"), and drop the envelopes in the collection baskets at Mass. As always, we invite all ladies in the parish to join us at our monthly meetings!

**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](http://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. Thank you!

**2019 Envelopes and 2018 Tax Statements** are available in the back of the church. If you would like envelopes and do not see a box in your name, please contact the rectory.

**We Are Struggling** to find volunteers for the ROC Meals on the first Tuesday of every month, so we are going to try a new approach. If you can provide a whole meal by yourself, that would still be welcomed, but we will now try to find volunteers to provide parts of a meal (ie, entrée, side dishes, desserts). See the signup sheet in the back of the church for more details and to sign up. Thank you to all who have been donating time, effort, and food to this cause!!

## Community Announcements

**Free Tax Preparation Services** for households earning \$66k or less annually. Available every Monday evening from now through April 15<sup>th</sup>, 5-7:30pm at the Ashland Public Library. Call 402-471-4515, ext. 102 to make an appointment.

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

- **VFW Food Pantry** Cocoa, mustard, ketchup
- **Kids' Cupboard** mac & cheese cups or packets

**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

**St. John the Baptist Church (Prague)** Annual All You Can Eat Soup Dinner is today, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 11am-2pm. Serving chili and chicken noodle soup, including drinks, relishes, rolls, kolaches, and dessert. Adults \$8, children \$3.

**Mother/Daughter, Father/Son Programs** The Diocese of Lincoln Family Life Office and Natural Family Planning Center annually sponsor separate Mother/Daughter and Father/Son programs for pre-teens to learn about the physical and emotional changes that come with puberty. Fathers with their sons age 10-14, and mothers with their daughters age 10-13, are invited to attend an afternoon presentation which promotes chastity and a better understanding of God's gift of our human sexuality.

- **Mother/Daughter "Fearfully & Wonderfully Made"** will be held **today, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**, 1-4pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Register <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/mother-daughter-program> For more information, contact Jennifer Davis at 402-261-6375 or email [jmdavis17@gmail.com](mailto:jmdavis17@gmail.com)
- **Father/Son "In His Image"** will be **March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1:30-4:30pm** at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. Register at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/father-son-program> For more information, contact Marilyn Klein, CFCP at 402-473-0630 or email [naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net](mailto:naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net)

**FEEL LIKE GIVING???** Help Saunders Catholic Schools GALA event by donating funds and gifts. Donations can easily be dropped off at any of our three schools. If you have questions about sponsorships or would like to contribute to GALA, please contact: Sheri Meduna at [sheri-meduna@cdolinc.net](mailto:sheri-meduna@cdolinc.net) or 402-443-4151. Raffle tickets can be purchased by stopping by the Neumann offices or from one of our raffle volunteers. The price is \$100 and the drawing date is: Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Grand Prize: \$5000 \* Prize 2: \$4000 \* Prize 3: \$3000 \* Prize 4: \$1000 Only 375 sold! Need not be present to win.

**Anyone wanting to know more about our Blessed Mother?** Then mark your calendar for **March 16<sup>th</sup>**. The Catholic Daughters of America are hosting a brunch with a presentation about our Blessed Mother on Sat. Mar. 16 at 9:30 AM at St. John's school gym in Weston, NE. Guest speaker will be Mother Superior Ann Marie Zierke of the Marian Sisters. There will be limited seating so plan now to join us for a great brunch, fellowship and presentation about our Blessed Mother. This is open to the public, you do not need to be a Catholic Daughter to attend. Tickets are \$6 in advance. Please contact Mary Ann Osmera (402) 443-9074, Teresa Virgil (402) 480-5590, or Shirley Masek (402) 443-2193 for tickets or questions.

**Out of the Darkness is Born the Light- St. Catherine of Siena** This Lent you're invited to an evening of prayer and reflection with a backdrop of the arts taking place in the natural beauty of Holy Family Shrine on Tuesday evening, **March 19<sup>th</sup>** from 6-8:30pm. Music by Nikolas Barger and Karla Fitz beginning at 6pm. Mass starting at 6:30pm. An art exhibit will follow in the atrium and a brief presentation and book signing by artist and author of *Light Collection*, Diane Reiber.

**Immaculee Ilibagiza Retreat** 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 her retreat at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 343 N Monitor St. West Point, **March 22-23**. Doors open at 4pm on Friday, with retreat beginning at 5pm and ending at 9pm, continuing again at 9am on Saturday and concluding at 12:30pm. Cost is \$57 for one person or \$76 for two people. For details, tickets, and registration, visit [www.immaculee.com](http://www.immaculee.com) and click on "next retreat", or contact RaNae O'Brien at [ranaeobrien1@gmail.com](mailto: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

**MASS with Prayers for HEALING March 24<sup>th</sup>** at John XXIII Center, 37<sup>th</sup> & Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Please join together to pray for healing for yourself, your family, friends, for our Church and our Nation.

+Sacrament of Reconciliation, beginning 1:15pm  
+Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 1:30pm  
+Praise and Worship 1:40pm  
+Blessing of salt/water/religious articles immediately before Mass begins at 2pm  
+Anointing of the Sick after the homily  
+Eucharistic Exposition and Healing Prayer after the Mass  
\*\* Future Mass dates: June 9, Sept. 29, Dec. 8.  
Sponsored by St. Benedict Prayer Team. Please join us.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:joannatorpy@gmail.com) by midday Wednesday. All announcements will be approved by Father.