

SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

March 10th, 2019

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1st Sunday of Lent

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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 schedule for this week (StM-Ashland, StJ-Greenwood, CC-Care Center, OxB-OxBow)

Mon	11	StM	8:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Tue	12	StM	8:00am	Sandie Mauro
Wed	13	CC	9:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Thu	14	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Fri	15	StM	8:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Sat	16	OxB	9:15am	Pastor's Intention
Sat	16	StM	5:00pm	+Diane Buzzello
Sun	17	StM	8:30am	+Gregg Rueschhoff
		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

Stations of the Cross - Wednesday, 7:15pm at St. Mary (Children's Stations). **Friday, 6:30pm** at St. Mary (preceded by potluck at 5:45pm).

Fridays of Lent Requirements: 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.

Readings and Celebrations this week

Mon 11	Lv 19:1-2,11-18 / Mt 25:31-46
Tue 12	Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15
Wed 13	Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32
Thu 14	Est C:12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12
Fri 15	Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26
Sat 16	Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48
Sun 17	Gn 15:5-12,17-18 / Phil 3:17-4:1 / Lk 9:28b-36 <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>

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.

Please pray this week for seminarian Matthew Schilmoeller (College 4).

Ministries for This Week

Sat	Mar 16	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Phil Onwiler
	Lector	Donna Nicholson
Sun	Mar 17	8:30am
	Acolyte	Dave Romans
	Lector	Rita Smits
Sun	Mar 17	10:30am
	Lector	Jon Sundermeier
	Offertory	Chaffin

Happy Anniversary!

Ron & Jeanette Bacon
 Frank & Peggy Demeter Steve & Barb Novotny

Birthday!

Sandy Scheef Mary Schuelke Fr. Holoubek
 Reece Brudnik Leisa Rogers Bill Yard Ainsley Barry
 Mary Wiese Jake Vavak

Our Return to the Lord, March 2-3

	StM	StJ
Adult	\$ 2,134.00	\$ 922.00
Plate	195.00	50.00
Catholic Press	55.00	20.00
Articles income	10.00	0.00
Candles	30.00	0.00
Total	\$ 2,424.00	\$ 992.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00	\$ 514.00

Parish Announcements

A Late Thank you to Pegi Young for planning and running the Trivia Night! A fun time was had by all. Thank you also to all who brought food and attended the New Parishioner Potluck last weekend.

Souper Bowl of Caring Response Thanks to all who participated in and made contributions to the 2019 Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser, which benefited Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach! Your kindness, compassion, and support bring hope to the working poor and homeless in our community. Thank you!

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!

St. Mary Altar Society will be meeting this Thursday, **March 14th** at 7pm. The meeting will start with Stations

of the Cross, Through the Eyes of Mary. The business meeting and refreshments will follow.

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. Thank you to all who have returned their dues payments!

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. Thank you to all who have generously donated!

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 11pm-12am as it does not currently have coverage. If you can cover this hour, please contact Walt Del Vecchio at 402-521-2069.

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 15th, 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

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 **March** sessions are the **12th**, **20th** and **28th**. Go online to

register or download a registration form at www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp. Also, exciting news for Spring 2019 - **We are offering a SINGLE LADIES Introductory Session on April 4th at 7pm.** This session is for single women only ages 18+. Please visit the registration page for additional information.

Father/Son Program 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. The Mother-Daughter Program was last Sunday.

- **Father/Son "In His Image"** will be **March 17th, 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

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 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 13th. 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 16th**. 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 19th** 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 and click on "next retreat", 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

MASS with Prayers for HEALING March 24th at John XXIII Center, 37th & 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.

Save the Date for Sunday, April 7th! St. Gregory the Great Seminary is holding its first Benefit Banquet to help support the seminarians and various projects at the Seminary. The "Table of St. Gregory" will begin at 5pm with sung Vespers (evening prayer) presided by Bishop Conley,

followed by cocktails and Open House, and concluding with a plated dinner at 6:30pm served by the seminarians. To make reservations or to find out more information, please call the Seminary at (402) 643-4052 or email us at: events@sggs.edu We hope to see you there!

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 **April 27-29** at Camp Kateri, and **June 8-10** in David City. For more information or to register, visit www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec.

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.