

# SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Father William Holoubek

2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://StMaryAshland.org)  
[StJosephGreenwood.org](http://StJosephGreenwood.org)

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

### Preschool

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

Mon	18	----	-----	No Mass
Tue	19	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Wed	20	CC	9:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Thu	21	StM	8:00am	+Jerry Schwaller
Fri	22	StM	8:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Sat	23	OxB	9:15am	Pastor's Intention
Sat	23	StM	5:00pm	John Buzzello
Sun	24	StM	8:30am	+Jay Hicks
		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 - 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 18	Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38 <i>St. Cyril of Jerusalem</i>
Tue 19	2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 / Rom 4:13,16-18,22 / Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a <i>Solemnity of St. Joseph</i>
Wed 20	Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28
Thu 21	Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31
Fri 22	Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43,45-46
Sat 23	Mi 7:14-15,18-20 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32 <i>St. Turibius of Mogrovejo</i>
Sun 24	Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 or Ex 17:3-7 / 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 or Rom 5:1-2,5-8 / Lk 13:1-9 or Jn 4:5-42 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>

**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.

Please pray this week for seminarian Tony Schukei (Theology 1).

Ministries for This Week		
Sat	Mar 23	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Anothony Weaver
	Reader	Karen Stille
Sun	Mar 24	8:30am
	Acolyte	James Wilsey
	Reader	Rod Reisen
Sun	Mar 24	10:30am
	Reader	Ginny Hummel
	Offertory	Hummel

**Happy Birthday!** Pat Proctor Robert Wall  
 Travis Stewart Lizzi Poell Jason Pike John Stander  
 Natalie Hofferber Jeanine Van Laningham

Our Return to the Lord, March 9-10			
	<u>StM</u>		<u>StJ</u>
Adult	\$ 1,247.00		\$ 3,321.00
Plate	262.45		114.00
Catholic Press	30.00		20.00
Utilities collection	317.00		45.00
Candles	31.75		0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,888.20</b>		<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00		\$ 514.00

## Parish Announcements

**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. Joseph Altar Society** will be meeting this **Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Holy Family Shrine in Gretna.** We will car-pool from the Greenwood Church Hall at 5:30pm. Music will begin at 6 with Nikolas Barger and Karla Fritz. Mass at 6:30pm. Following Mass will be an Art Exhibit and brief presentation by artist and author of "Light Collection", Diane Reiber.

**St. Gianna House Collection** The Altar Society is collecting gently used purses/totes/pocket books to be

filled with new toiletry and self-care items, which we are also collecting. Items needed in addition to the purses/totes are dental care items, skin care items, make-up, and hair care items. These will be given to St. Gianna House to be gifted to women fleeing abusive situations, many of whom leave without any possessions.

**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.

**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).

**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 for 30-35 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 sign up 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

**Lincoln Food Bank** The Lincoln Food Bank will be distributing food at the Ashland VFW next Monday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>**, from 3-4pm. Volunteers are always needed to help setup and carryout. Please contact Alice West for more information.

**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. Martin (Douglas) Soup Supper** is today, **March 17<sup>th</sup>** from 10:30am-1pm. Serving vegetable beef, chili, and chicken noodle soups; cheese and BBQ sandwiches; pies and desserts. Free will offering.

**Annual Red Mass** with Bishop Conley to pray for all in the legal profession is tomorrow, **March 18<sup>th</sup>**, 7am at the Newman Center, Lincoln. A breakfast will follow Mass, with a talk given by Mike Scaperlanda on "Lessons from the Life of American Martyr Bl. Stanley Rother". All are invited to this free event sponsored by the Catholic Lawyers Guild.

**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.

**Relic of the Heart of St. John Vianney** will be in Nebraska at the following locations:

- Lincoln Cathedral of the Risen Christ – Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Mass 10am with Bishop Conley, Veneration until 2pm
- Grand Island St. Mary Cathedral – Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Mass 6:30pm with Bishop Hanefeldt, Veneration until 9:30 PM
- Omaha St. Cecilia Cathedral – Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, Mass 10am with Archbishop Lucas, Veneration until 2pm

**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 **March** sessions are the **20<sup>th</sup>** and **28<sup>th</sup>**. Go online to register or download a registration form at [www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp). Also, exciting news for Spring 2019 - **We are offering a SINGLE LADIES Introductory Session on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.** This session is for single women only ages 18+. Please visit the registration page for additional information.

**Healing Mass** Are you ready to receive the loving touch of Jesus, the Great Healer? What is it like to be healed of your pain? Come with your pain and struggles, we pray with everyone and for any need for healing. There will be healing Masses on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm, at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church, 120 Cherry St., Clarkson. Confessions will be heard at 6pm. Everyone is welcome. Any questions, call Fr. Rod at 402-892-3464.

**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.

**Catholic Education Scholarships – Apply Now** With the recent announcement of The Good Shepherd Scholarship program for Catholic education, families can apply for scholarships through one application for all Catholic schools in the Lincoln Diocese. The Good Shepherd Scholarship, the Family Cap Scholarship and local school scholarships help to keep Catholic education affordable for any family. The Good Shepherd Scholarship is available to any student, regardless of religious affiliation. The application **deadline** is **March 31<sup>st</sup>**, go to [www.goodshepherdscholarship.com](http://www.goodshepherdscholarship.com) or your local school website to apply.

**Villa Marie Home and School** has been providing a Christ-Centered, quality education for special needs children, ages 6 – 18, from all faith backgrounds since 1964. If you are a parent with a special needs child, and if you would like to see what Villa Marie may be able to offer your child and family, please contact Sr. Jeanette, Principal, 402-786-3625. May God bless you.

**Open Position** Villa Marie School is accepting applications for a Food Service Manager for the 2019-2020 school year. Must have a Bachelor's or Associate's degree OR experience in school nutrition programs. Please contact Sr. Jeanette at 402-786-3625 or [sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net](mailto:sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net) for more information or to apply.

**Save the Date for Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>!** 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](mailto:events@sggs.edu) We hope to see you there!

**Easter Monday Pilgrimage** Join Fr. Gary Coulter for an Easter Monday Pilgrimage on Monday, **April 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Departing 7am from St. Patrick's in Lincoln, the charter bus will stop at St. Peter in Omaha on the way to Trinity Heights in Sioux City; on our return pray the magnificent Stations of the Cross at Cloisters on the Platte. Mass and prayers throughout the day, return by 6:15pm. \$50 includes snacks and lunch. Make your reservations early: [frcoulter.com/EasterMonday](http://frcoulter.com/EasterMonday). Please register online, or else email [goodcounsel@cdolinc.net](mailto:goodcounsel@cdolinc.net) or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705.

**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](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec).

**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.