

SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

March 31st, 2019

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4th 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	1	StM	8:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Tue	2	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Wed	3	CC	9:00am	All Souls Day Intentions
Wed	3	StM	7:15pm	CCD Students, Teachers, Parents
Thu	4	StM	6:30pm	All Souls Day Intentions
Fri	5	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Sat	6	StM	8:00am	Pastor's Intention
Sat	6	OxB	9:15am	Pastor's Intention
Sat	6	StM	5:00pm	All Souls Day Intentions
Sun	7	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 fish fry and meatless potluck at 5pm).

Readings and Celebrations this week

Mon 1	Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54
Tue 2	Ez 47:1-9,12 / Jn 5:1-16 <i>St. Francis of Paola</i>
Wed 3	Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30
Thu 4	Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47 <i>St. Isidore</i>
Fri 5	Wis 2:1a,12-22 / Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30 <i>St. Vincent Ferrer; First Friday</i>
Sat 6	Jer 11:18-20 / Jn 7:40-53 <i>First Saturday</i>
Sun 7	Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / Jn 8:1-11 or Ez 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11 / Jn 11:1-45 <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>

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.

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 Christian Schwenka (Theology 1).

Ministries for This Week

Sat	Apr 6	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Tom Spears
	Reader	Donna Nicholson
Sun	Apr 7	8:30am
	Acolyte	Greg Logsdon
	Reader	Mary Logsdon
Sun	Apr 7	10:30am
	Reader	Jeanine VanLaningham
	Offertory	Hayes

Happy Anniversary! Chris & Jenn Craven, Anthony & Kiley Weaver, Earl & Alice West, Dan & Pegi Young, Lefty & Carol Anderson

Happy Birthday! Geri Frank, James Arlt, Dallas Hayes, Scott Allington, Dian Hofferber, Kyle Warnke, Arlene Fudge

Parish Announcements

Combined Collection envelopes are included with this bulletin and in your 2019 giving envelopes to collect money for the following causes: Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Home Missions Appeal, Black and Indian Collection, Catholic University of America, Catholic Communications Campaign, and Retirement Fund for Religious. Please return any envelopes with your donations next weekend - thank you for your generosity!

Group/Bulk Subscription to MAGNIFICAT

MAGNIFICAT is a monthly publication containing a short morning, evening, and night prayer, a short daily meditation, as well as the Scripture readings for the daily & Sunday Masses, essays on the lives of the saints, and spiritual insight into masterpieces of sacred art. Magnificat is a good way to learn more about your faith & deepen your prayer life and your relationship with God. The annual group subscription rate is \$23 each. That is a savings of \$24 off regular (individual price of \$47.00). The parish would need at least 10 subscriptions to qualify for mailing directly to the parish. If you would

like to be a part of the group/bulk subscription, please turn in your payment to the Rectory. The group subscription runs from August 2019 – July 2020. The subscription also includes online access. The parish order must be placed by April 10th so please submit your order and payment to the rectory by **tomorrow, April 1st**.

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!

Children's Choir Practice will be held after CCD this week, Wednesday, **April 3rd**, from about 8-8:15pm (following Mass) and on Sunday, **April 7th**, beginning at 8am.

Knights of Columbus The Knights will be meeting in the church basement this Thursday, **April 4th**, at 7:00pm, following the 6:30pm Mass.

Fish Fry, Potluck, and Stations of the Cross with the Seminarians Join us Friday, **April 5th**, for a Fish Fry and Meatless Potluck with the Seminarians starting at 5pm. Stations of the Cross will follow at 6:30pm. **We need people to bring meatless side dishes and desserts to share. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the church so we can ensure we have enough food.** Fish and drinks will be provided. If you haven't been to Stations yet this Lent, this is the perfect opportunity!

First Friday Adoration Please consider spending an hour in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament this Friday. 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. 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.

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, April 7th**, for coffee and rolls hosted by the Altar Society.

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. If you can donate, please leave any items in downstairs or at the back of the church, labeled for St. Gianna's.

33 Days to Merciful Love Journey with St. Therese of Lisieux and discover *33 Days to Merciful Love: A Do-It-Yourself Retreat in Preparation for Consecration to Divine Mercy*, the stirring sequel to the Fr. Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory. Following the same format, each day has a short reading and prayer. Father will also have weekly videos to accompany the booklet. The preparation helps us understand what this devotion and consecration is and means. We will make the consecration on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th. This is a beautiful work of grace for our parish and all individuals and families. I look forward to leading you and sharing with this blessed moment our in lives. If you are interested in joining this retreat and consecration, Father still has some books available.

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.

Flood Relief Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska is now accepting monetary donations to assist those affected by the horrific and ongoing flood/storm damage in Nebraska. Checks may be mailed to us at our administrative offices (2241 O St. Lincoln NE 68510) OR you may donate via our website link below. If donating by check, be sure to list "flood relief" in your check memo. If donating online, designate "flood relief" in the "specific designation for your gift" field. God bless you for your support and continued prayers!

https://www.csisus.org/what_you_can_do/donate.html

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 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.

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

- **VFW Food Pantry** Syrup, frosting and sides (the little envelopes that No Frills has on sale for \$1)
- **Kids' Cupboard** saltine crackers

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 Nepomucene (Weston) Annual “Salad Buffet” will be on Thursday, **April 4th**, at St. John’s School gym in Weston serving from 5:30-6:30pm. There will be a Silent Auction, surprise raffle, cork pull, plants and a Live Auction beginning at 6:45pm. Tickets are \$9 and may be purchased in advance (call the school at 402-642-5234) or at the door. You can also reserve a table of 8 in advance, by tomorrow, **April 1st**.

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!

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 **April** sessions are the **9th**, **5th**, and **30th**. 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.

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 a healing Mass on Thursday, **April 11th**, 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.

Easter Monday Pilgrimage Join Fr. Gary Coulter for an Easter Monday Pilgrimage on Monday, **April 22nd**. 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. Please register online, or else email 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.

High School Summer Mission Trip Bishop Neumann High School has 4 openings for their Chicago Mission Trip that are being opened to any high school student in Saunders County. The trip is May 28th –June 1st. Students work with the Missionaries of Charity and the Franciscans of the Eucharist at 2-3 places each day. Please contact Gery Kenney at Bishop Neumann for more information or if you are interested. 402.443.4151 or gergy-kenney@cdolinc.net

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

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.