

# SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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Palm Sunday

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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)

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

Ashland, StJ-Greenwood, CC-Care Center, OxB-Ox Bow)				
Mon	15	StM	8:00am	Mass + <i>Marcelle Jaeger</i>
Tue	16	StM	8:00am	Mass <i>Special Int. MF</i>
Wed	17	CC	9:00am	Mass <i>All Souls Day Int.</i>
Thu	18	StM	7:00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper + <i>Herman &amp; Irene Ostdiek</i>
Fri	19	StM	12:00pm	Stations / 7 Last Words / Chaplet of Divine Mercy
		StJ	3:00pm	Stations / 7 Last Words / Chaplet of Divine Mercy
		StM	7:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Sat	20	StM	8:30pm	Easter Vigil Mass + <i>Jay Hicks</i>
Sun	21	StM	8:30am	Easter Mass + <i>Rudy Jakub, Jr.</i>
		StJ	10:30am	Easter Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>

**Penance Service today at St. Mary at 2:00pm,  
two priests will be available for confessions**

### Confession schedule this week

Sun	14	StM	2:00pm
Tue	16	<b>Wahoo</b>	7:00pm
Thu	18	StM	4:00-5:00pm
Fri	19	StJ	4:00pm
		StM	6:00-6:40pm
		StM	8:00pm
Sat	20	StJ	12:00-1:00pm
		StM	3:00-4:00pm

### Lenten Regulations for Good Friday

#### **Good Friday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence**

**Fasting** means eating only one full meal and two smaller meals, which together do not equal the full meal. No snacking. All Catholics 18-59 years of age must fast.

**Abstinence** means not eating meat (or gravy from meat) and obliges all Catholics age 14 and up.

## Readings and Celebrations this week

Mon 15	Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11
Tue 16	Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33,36-38
Wed 17	Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25
Thu 18	Ex 12:1-8,11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15 <i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>
Fri 19	Is 52:13-53:12 / Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9 / Jn 18:1-19:42 <i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
Sat 20	Gn 1:1-2:2 / Gn 22:1-18 / Ex 14:15-15:1 / Is 54:5-14 / Is 55:1-11 / Bar 3:9-15,32-4:4 / Ez 36:16-17a,18-28 / Rom 6:3-11 / Lk 24:1-12 <i>Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord</i>
Sun 21	Acts 10:34a,37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 / Jn 20:1-9 <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</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 Anthony Tran-Le (College 2).

### Ministries for Holy Week

Thu	Apr 18	7:00pm
	Acolyte	Kent Ketteler
	Readers	Denise Ketteler
Fri	Apr 19	7:00pm
	Acolyte	Phil Onwiler
	Readers	Anthony Weaver & Walt Del Vecchio
Sat	Apr 20	8:30pm
	Acolyte	Jim Sokolewicz
	Readers	Cathy Sokolewicz & Rita Smits
Sun	Apr 21	8:30am
	Acolyte	Greg Logsdon
	Reader	Mary Logsdon
Sun	Apr 21	10:30am
	Reader	Ginny Hummel
	Offertory	Ortiz

**Happy Anniversary!** Rob & Ginny Showers  
Bill & Donna Nicholson Joe & Joy Warner  
Gerard & Mary Hafner

**Happy Birthday!** Lisa Isaacson JR Queen Lelia Razey  
Bruce Bolander

## Our Return to the Lord, Apr 6-7

	StM	StJ
Adult	\$ 2,667.00	\$ 481.00
Plate	158.25	51.00
Altar Flowers	270.00	75.00
Religious Articles	60.00	0.00
Candles	20.00	0.00
Total	\$ 3,175.25	\$ 607.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,379.00	\$ 514.00
Flood Relief	\$ 416.00	\$ 100.00
Combined Collection	\$ 205.00	\$ 40.00

## Parish Announcements

**Chrism Mass** Bishop James Conley and the priests of the Diocese of Lincoln will gather tomorrow, **April 15<sup>th</sup>**, at 5pm to celebrate the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ, 3500 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. All are invited to attend. At the Mass, Bishop Conley will bless the three sacred oils used in the sacraments throughout the diocese — Chrism, the Oil of the Sick, and the Oil of Catechumens. Chrism, the most important of the three, is unique in that it can only be consecrated by a bishop. Also, the priests of the diocese renew the priestly vows made at their ordinations.

**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!

**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. Weekly videos to accompany the booklet and discussion are being held on **Wednesdays** at 7:45pm in the church basement. We will make the consecration on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in joining this retreat and consecration, please join us on Wednesday evenings.

**St. Joseph Altar Society** will meet Thursday, **April 18<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:30pm. We will carpool to St. Mary for Holy Thursday Mass at 6:40pm. Please plan to come.

**Holy Week** contains the greatest celebration of our Catholic Faith. We enter into the mysteries of our

salvation through the Holy Week Liturgies. Each of them is profound and moving to the body and soul. Through the liturgies of Holy Week, we are made present again sacramentally at the moments of Jesus's last supper, suffering, death, burial, and resurrection. Please make the effort to clear your calendar so your families can be present at the celebration of the greatest events of human history. Primary of these is the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday at 8:30pm. This Liturgy takes precedence over all Liturgies of the year.

**Easter Vigil – Holy Saturday** This is the greatest Mass of the year. This is the Mass we should try to attend, if at all possible. At this Mass, the first Mass of Resurrection, we bless the Easter Fire proclaiming the victory of Christ's resurrection and "new light of Christ", which enters the world through Him. We bless the Easter candle symbol of Christ, the Light of the World, and process in to lighted candles by all present while singing acclamations. We proclaim the essential points of Salvation history in the signing of the Exultet and reading of sacred scriptures. We bless the Easter Holy Water and sing the Gloria in celebration of the resurrection and promise of eternal life. New Christians are baptized and made a part of God's family and "our parish." Candidates receive Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

**Adoration until midnight of Holy Thursday** at St. Mary. During the time following the Mass of the Last Supper the faithful are asked to be present with our Savior as he endures the Agony in the Garden and is arrested. After this the Eucharist is moved to another place of reservation. Please make sure Jesus is not alone. Last names beginning with the letters A-M, please try to come during the 8-9pm or 10-11pm hours; last names beginning with the letters N-Z please try to come during the 9-10pm or 11-midnight hours. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the back of the church.

**Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday** and continues for nine days until the Sunday after Easter – Mercy Sunday! Please join us in praying this beautiful novena in which Jesus promises to give all the graces we need. Each day a different group of souls are lifted up to Jesus' Merciful Heart. The pamphlets are included in this bulletin.

**Good Friday Collection for the Holy Places** Your help is needed now, as in the days of Saint Francis, to protect the Holy Places of the Holy Land. Thank you for your generosity at this sacred time of year. Envelopes are in your boxed sets.

**Are you tired of all the mistakes in the bulletin**, or maybe you have some good ideas for improving the bulletin? Put an end to your weekly frustration by taking over bulletin duties! The current bulletin preparer is going to be indisposed beginning in late May or early June, and we will need someone to prepare the bulletin for up to two months (although, if you love it, you may have a full-time opportunity). If you are interested, please let Father or Joanna Torpy know.

**Divine Mercy Sunday** is **April 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Sunday after Easter. Jesus asked St. Faustina to promote this devotion of Mercy. We will have a Movie on St. Faustina and the revelations of Divine Mercy to her from Jesus at 1:45pm. We will expose the Blessed Sacrament at 2:50pm and will have a holy hour with confessions, healing prayers and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. **ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY A PLENARY INDULGENCE (REMISSION OF ALL PUNISHMENT DUE TO SIN) IS GIVEN TO ALL WHO ATTEND, RECEIVE COMMUNION AND CONFESSION, EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT DETACHED FROM ALL SIN BUT BY YOUR TRUST IN JESUS' GOODNESS.**

**Closed Bid Auction for Dog Kennel, Small Shed, and Appliances** (10x8 wooden shed, 12x6x6 dog kennel, Magic Chef older gas stove, 12 cu ft GE Fridge, large Toshiba TV, 40 gal HE gas water heater) Anyone interested in these items from the house across the street, please put a bid in a sealed envelope specifying which item and the amount of your bid. This is to allow any parishioner the opportunity to procure these items. Bids should be submitted via the collection basket or by mail to the rectory by **April 28<sup>th</sup>**.

**St. Gianna House Collection** The Altar Society is collecting new toiletry and self-care items. Items needed 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.

**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.cssisus.org/what\\_you\\_can\\_do/donate.html](https://www.cssisus.org/what_you_can_do/donate.html)

**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!!

**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.

**Do you know the connections between Christ's Passion and the Jewish Passover?** Listen to Dr. Scott Hahn's "The Fourth Cup" as he explains Christ's Paschal Sacrifice on the Cross as the fulfillment of the traditional fourth cup used in the celebration of the Jewish Passover meal. Through these insights and biblical connections, the Mass will come alive for you as never before! Check out [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) for this talk and many other FREE resources. Please log on and sign up. You will be asked for your parish code. It is **64C8RQ**.

## 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.

**Ashland Area Churches Holy Week Luncheon Services** All services start at 12:05pm, lunch will be served at 12:30pm.

Monday – Word of Hope Lutheran Church

Tuesday – American Lutheran Church

Wednesday – Riverview Community Church

Thursday – United Methodist Church

Friday – First Christian Church

**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

**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.