

SS. Mary & Joseph Catholic Churches

February 24th, 2019

Father William Holoubek

7th 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

StJosephGreenwood.org

Diocese: www.lincolndiocese.org

Preschool

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Mass/Service schedule for this week (StM-

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

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| Mon | 25 | ---- | ----- | No Mass |
| Tue | 26 | StM | 8:00am | All Souls Day Intentions |
| Wed | 27 | CC | 9:00am | +Marcella Wurdeman |
| Thu | 28 | StM | 8:00am | Steve Cobb |
| Fri | 1 | StM | 8:00am | All Souls Day Intentions |
| Sat | 2 | StM | 8:00am | Pastor's Intention |
| Sat | 2 | OxB | 9:15am | Pastor's Intention |
| Sat | 2 | StM | 5:00pm | +Ray Wilson, Sr. |
| Sun | 3 | StM | 8:30am | +Greg Rueschhoff |
| | | StJ | 10:30am | People of the Parish |

Confession before Masses - any other time,
call the rectory

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

Readings and Celebrations this week

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| Mon 25 | Sir 1:1-10 / Mk 9:14-29 |
| Tue 26 | Sir 2:1-11 / Mk 9:30-37 |
| Wed 27 | Sir 4:11-19 / Mk 9:38-40 |
| Thu 28 | Sir 5:1-8 / Mk 9:41-50 |
| Fri 1 | Sir 6:5-17 / Mk 10:1-12 <i>First Friday</i> |
| Sat 2 | Sir 17:1-15 / Mk 10:13-16 <i>Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday</i> |
| Sun 3 | Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45 <i>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> |

Please pray this week for seminarian Augustine Reimers (College 3).

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.

Ministries for Next Week

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| Sat | Mar 2 | 5:00pm |
| | Acolyte | Tom Spears |
| | Lector | Rod Reisen |
| | Servers | Servers Needed |
| Sun | Mar 3 | 8:30am |
| | Acolyte | Kent Ketteler |
| | Lector | Denise Ketteler |
| | Servers | Servers Needed |
| Sun | Mar 4 | 10:30am |
| | Lector | Leslie Krings |
| | Offertory | Jamrog |

Happy Anniversary! John & Terri Heusinkvelt
Scott & Dana Allington

Happy Birthday! Wyatt Craven Gene Kresak
Marilyn Craven Thersa Nicholson Colleen Crnkovich
Jack Johnson Jackson Pleiss Francis Drelicharz
Scott Douglas Emma Keith Rose Queen

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!

Children's Choir Practice will be held after CCD this week, Wednesday, **February 27th**, from 7:45-8pm, and on Sunday, **March 3rd**, beginning at 8am.

First Friday Adoration Please consider spending an hour in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament this Friday. 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. **We are currently looking for someone to take the 11pm-12am hour.** Please contact Walt Del Vecchio (402-521-2069) if you can cover this hour or would be willing to trade your existing daytime hour for it.

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.

New Parishioner Potluck Please join us in welcoming our new parishioners with a potluck dinner next Saturday, **March 2nd**, following the 5:30pm Vigil Mass. Please bring an entrée and side salad or dessert to share. Hope to see everyone there!

First Sunday Coffee and Rolls Join us downstairs after 8:30am Children's Mass and Choir **next Sunday, March 3rd**, for coffee and rolls hosted by the Altar Society.

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.

Catholic Press Month Did You Know the Southern Nebraska Register is sent to *all* Catholic homes registered in our parish? It provides current International, National, State, and local news of interest to all Catholics. *Your donation greatly assists the parish in paying for your Southern Nebraska Register subscription.* NOTE: The subscription rate this year is \$15/family. All families automatically receive a subscription. This is a large yearly expense that the parish needs your help to pay. Envelopes have been included in your 2019 envelope set, and extras are in the back of the church. Thank You!

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 were included in last week's bulletin as well as 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.

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. Please contact Joanna Torpy (joannatorpy@gmail.com) for more information. Thank you!

2019 Envelopes Please check the back of the church for your 2019 envelopes. If you do not see a box in your name and would like envelopes, please contact the rectory.

2018 Year End Tax Statements are now available in the back of the church.

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

Lincoln Food Bank The Lincoln Food Bank will be distributing food at the Ashland VFW tomorrow, **February 25th**, from 3-4pm. Volunteers are always

needed to help setup and carryout. Please contact Alice West for more information.

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.

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

- **VFW Food Pantry** pancake mix and mustard
- **Kids' Cupboard** pudding and jello cups

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

Catholic Daughters' Meeting is Monday, **February 25th** at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo with Mass at 6:30pm and meeting to follow. Items to be discussed are the Brunch in March and the State Convention in April.

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 **February** session is the **26th**. Go online to register or download a registration form at www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp.

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.

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 **Sunday, March 3rd**, 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
- **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

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 will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in West Point, **March 22-23**. 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. Cost is \$57 for one, or \$76 for two. For details, tickets, and

registration visit www.immaculee.com, 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

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!

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.