

May 16, 2021

Seventh Sunday of Easter



Saint Mary & Saint Joseph Catholic Churches

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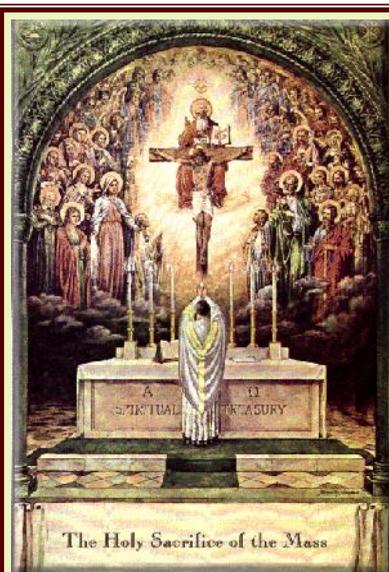
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St. Joseph Church

7 Oak Street, Greenwood
Sunday Mass 10:30AM

St. Mary Church
1625 Adams Street, Ashland
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM
Sunday Mass 8:30AM



Enter, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us.

Psalm 95:6

Sunday and Holy Day Mass Obligation reinstated next weekend in the Diocese of Lincoln Sunday, May 23 [the Feast of Pentecost].

Following mass on Saturday, May 22 and Sunday, May 23
we will celebrate with light refreshments outside on the lawn.

*Those who are ill or in precarious health or risk situations
are still allowed to remain away until your health and risk improves.*

Find more information at lincolndiocese.org
or you are most welcome to contact Fr. Holoubek to discuss your situation.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

(STM-ASHLAND, STJ-GREENWOOD, CC-CARE CENTER, OXB-OX BOW)

Mon	17	StM	_____	No Mass
Tue	18	StM	8:00am	+Jay Hicks
Wed	19	CC	9:15am	All Souls Day Intention
Thu	20	StM	8:00am	Nicholson Family Moms
Fri	21	StM	8:00am	+Kurt Groenjes
Sat	22	Oxb	9:15am	Pastor's Intention
	22	StM	5:00pm	+Claire Kresak
Sun	23	StM	8:30am	For the People
	23	StJ	10:30am	+Mary Ann Sorenson

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Mon	Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
Tue	Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a <i>Saint John I, Pope and Martyr</i>
Wed	Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
Thu	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26 <i>Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest</i>
Fri	Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19 <i>St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</i>
Sat	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25 <i>Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious</i>
Sat	Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/
Vigil	Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Sun	Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

BEFORE MASS OR CALL THE RECTORY

SATURDAY	ST MARY	4:00 - 4:50pm
SUNDAY	ST MARY	8:00 - 8:20am
SUNDAY	ST JOSEPH	10:10 - 10:20am

Daily Mass at 8am, Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm, Sunday Mass at 8:30am live-streamed on St. Mary's Face Book Page & St. Mary's Website

NEW PARISHIONERS Please call the rectory to register or for information on any of our parish activities/organizations. Registration forms for St. Mary or St. Joseph Parishes are also available for download at stmaryashland.org and in the wall pockets in the back of St. Mary Church. Completed registration forms may be placed in the collection basket. **We welcome you to your new parish home.**



କରକ୍ଷା MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND ସମ୍ଭାଳ

Sat May 22 5:00pm
 Acolyte Anthony Weaver
 Reader Karen Stille

Sun May 23 8:30am
 Acolyte Craig Buescher
 Reader Marge Buescher

Sun May 23 10:30am
 Reader
 Offertory



OUR RETURN TO THE LORD MAY 5- MAY 11
St Mary and St Joseph parishes are sustained by the generosity of our parishioners. Thank you for your continued dedication and support!

	<u>St Mary</u>	<u>St Joseph</u>
Adult	\$982.00	\$720.00
Plate	115.75	50.00
Holy Day Collections	10.00	20.00
Mass Stipends	80.00	
Holy Land		20.00
Votive Candles	38.00	
Total	\$1,225.75	\$810.00
Weekly Budget	\$2,379.00	\$460.00

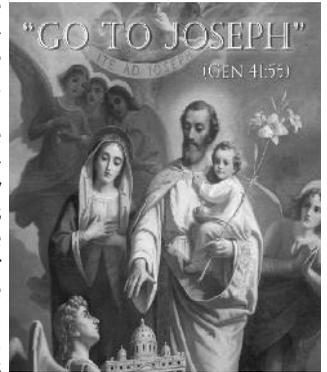
St Mary and St Joseph Churches offer automated clearing house (ACH) giving as a way to automate your weekly offering. ACH giving offers convenience to parish members and provides donation consistency for our parish budgets. To enroll, please complete an ACH Authorization Form found on the table at the back of the church or call the parish office. Parishioners can also donate electronically on the parish web site: <https://stmaryashland.org>

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Charity & Stewardship Appeal 2021

Thank you to everyone who has already completed their pledge card for the Charity & Stewardship Appeal. Both parishes have already collected a significant amount. Every dollar counts and is instrumental in the good and holy work our diocese does for the church and community. If you haven't already, please stop after mass to complete your pledge card. Any amount collected above our parish goals comes directly back to the respective parish.

St. Mary Goal \$9,120 St. Joseph Goal \$2,220

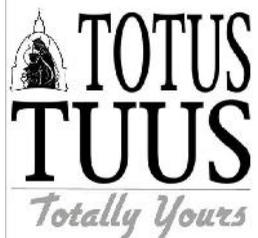


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Anthony and Kyley Weaver and family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, and generosity for their infant son Austin Kolbe. He came home from the hospital on Monday with a clean bill of health.

ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Totus Tuus, July 25 through July 30 at St. Mary Church in Ashland. Ages 3 to entering kindergarten Mon-Fri 9:00-11:00am, \$10.00 per child. Entering 1st thru 8th grades Mon-Fri 9:00-3:00pm, \$25 for one child, \$40 for two children, \$50 for three or more children. Entering 9th-12th grades Sun-Thur evenings 8:00-10:00pm, \$15 per student. Registration forms on the back table in St. Mary church or contact Tanya Keith at bghkeith@hotmail.com.



SISTERS VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR
 This week, please remember in your prayers Sr. Faustina and Sr. Joan Kolbe, both junior sisters with the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln.



DEANERY AND DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Since this year of St. Joseph is also the year of the family, the **Office of Family Life** would like to challenge you to try some new things in your family prayer time. Maybe you aren't sure how to pray together as a family or maybe you pray together all the time, but it's always good to mix it up and try something new. So in the spirit (see what we did there?) of family togetherness and growing in love of



our Lord, you are cordially invited to the **Year of the Family Summer Challenge**. You can complete this challenge as a family with kids, a married couple, or with your roommates or friend group. The challenge runs from the feast of Pentecost (Sunday, May 23, 2021) until the Feast of the Assumption of our Lady (Sunday, August 15, 2021). In between then, you and your crew have a challenge of 33 objectives that you can do to win prizes, do some exploring, and hopefully grow in holiness and togetherness as a family. Find details at <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/family/summer-challenge>

SUMMER FAMILY CHALLENGE KICK OFF EVENT!

Sunday, May 23

Family Holy Hour 3-4 pm
Ice Cream Sundaes 4-5 pm
to **celebrate the launch of the Summer Family Challenge**

Bring your kids.
Bring your friends.

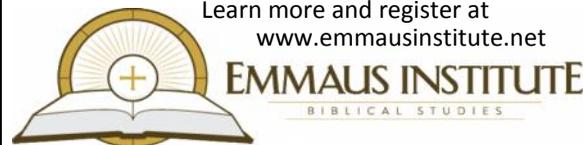
John XXIII Diocesan Center
3700 Sheridan Blvd

Please RSVP here
<https://forms.gle/sxEnJhirGkStYc9B8>

UPDATE ON SCHOOL CHOICE BILL LB364 LB364, the Opportunity Scholarships Act, was debated by the Nebraska Legislature on Wednesday. Several State Senators led an eight-hour filibuster to kill the bill, and unfortunately, the cloture vote to end debate failed 29-18 (two were "present-not voting"). LB364 needed 33 votes to break the filibuster and advance through the legislative process. See how your State Senator voted and send a message through <https://www.votervoicenet.com/NECATHOLIC/Campaigns/84515/Respond>. Thank you for your prayers and advocacy over the past several months. The Nebraska Catholic Conference will continue to advocate for educational freedom in Nebraska and giving all kids, regardless of income or zip code, a chance at a better future!

Emmaus Institute Biblical Study What does the Word of God teach about how we are to speak **to and about** others? The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies is presenting: **Redeeming Communication: Christian Speech in a Hostile World** Saturday, June 12, from 9am-1pm at St. Mary Church in Nebraska City. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

Learn more and register at
www.emmausinstitute.net



Unveiled: Discovering the Great Mystery in Your Marriage *Now offered in-person AND virtually via livestream!* Discover how the great mystery of Christ's love can restore passion, purpose and intimacy in your marriage. In *Unveiled*, a retreat led by the John Paul II Healing Center, you'll engage topics grounded in Church teaching such as: "Discovering True Love," "A Whole New Look at Your Wedding Day," "Cultivating Intimacy and Unity in Your Marriage," "Understanding Your Marital Conflict," "Healing and Reconciliation in Your Marriage," and "Restoring Sexual Passion and Intimacy in Your Marriage." This retreat is open to singles discerning marriage, dating and engaged couples, and couples who have been married for many years! **The Newman Center – St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church is hosting this Unveiled retreat July 15-17, 2021.** Learn more and register for this amazing experience at: www.jp2healingcenter.org Scholarships available. Email Stephanie & Jude Werner at UnveiledLincoln@gmail.com for more information. *This event is sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln Office of Family Life.*

Abortion Tuesdays - Pray & Fast on Tuesdays

Planned Parenthood in Lincoln conducts abortions every Tuesday. Pray for mothers to choose life for their babies and to receive all the support, strength and holy guidance they need.

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS



Camp Kateri Summer Camp

Register now for SKY Camp (rising grades 5th-9th), Catholic Adventure Camp (rising grades 4th-6th) and the Tekakwitha Games (rising grades 5th-9th). Info/register: www.campkateri.org

Camp Kateri Volunteer High School Counselors

Camp Kateri is accepting applications for volunteer high school counselors at SKY Camp, Catholic Adventure Camp and the Tekakwitha Games. Info/download application: www.campkateri.org

Diocesan Canoe Trip High School Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors and College Students. July 11-13 or July 13-15. \$100. Includes camping and canoeing the Niobrara, mass, confession, rosary, reflection, talks, campfires, more. More information and register at lincolndiocese.org

Leadership Camp is a Catholic boys summer camp for Altar Servers entering 6th grade through 9th grade in the fall. The camp is July 11-17 (7 days, 6 nights) held at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha at McCool Junction, Nebraska. The camp is full of fun, personal growth, and spiritual development. This camp takes very seriously their role in the process of the formation of young Catholic lives through wholesome recreation in a religious atmosphere. For more information, to register, or for volunteer forms, go to: <http://www.CatholicLeadershipCamp.com>

Steubenville High School Youth Conference-

July 16-18, youth entering 9th grade to just graduated seniors. Springfield, MO. Includes transportation, meals, and lodging. Space is limited. Learn more, register and pay at: <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/steubenville-youth-conference>

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

May Food Requests Please leave donations in the boxes in the back of the church

VFW Food Pantry - Coffee, Hamburger Helper, and tampons. Please call Jean Stewart (402-944-3483) if you need assistance

Kids' Cupboard - granola bars

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

ROC Meals for Ashland Teens See the signup sheet at the back of the church for open meal dates. Much gratitude to all who have generously donated time, effort, & food to this great community ministry!

OPEN TEACHING POSITIONS IN THE DIOCESE

Bishop Neumann Catholic School has Agricultural Education position available for 2021-2022 School Year. Extracurricular and coaching opportunities available, including FFA, Speech, and others. It is the intent of Bishop Neumann to employ competent individuals who are dedicated to the highest educational standards of performance, and who passionately support the mission of the school: *To form disciples of Jesus Christ among our students, alumni, families and friends through a Catholic educational environment that helps create a dynamic faith community focused on living lives of love and service to others.* Candidates email Fr. Lee Jirovsky directly with cover letter and resume, fr.lee-jirovsky@cdolinc.net

St. John Nepomucene School in Weston, Ne is seeking faith-filled teachers for 2nd grade, combined 5th & 6th grade and part time music or P.E. Please inquire or send resume and references to:

Fr. Vandewalle at 402-853-2846, 402-642-5234, or fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net

Upcoming Parish Events - Save the Date

May 23 Pentecost Sunday
Sunday & Holy Day Mass Obligation Reinstated
June 4 First Friday Adoration
June 5 Men In Mission
June 5 Saturday Devotion
July 25-30 Totus Tuus (Vacation Bible School)



Parish Groups and Contacts

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 or text Lisa Isaacson at 402-314-4340 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, hardship, 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 Lisa Isaacson at mrs.nate.isaacson@gmail.com by midday Wednesday. All announcements will be reviewed by Father.