

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday of Lent



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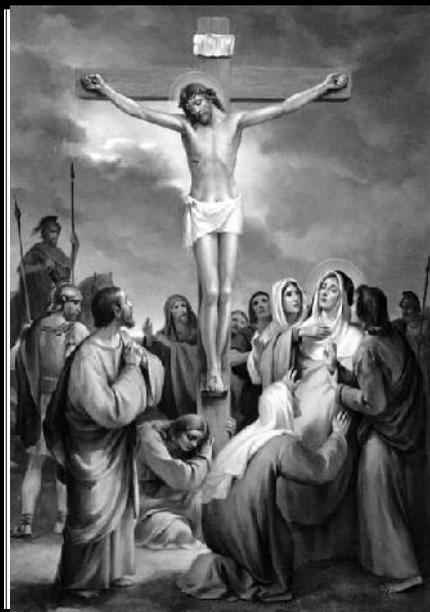
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St. Joseph Church

7 Oak Street, Greenwood
Sunday Mass 10:30AM

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



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY MARCH 25 6:30PM ST. MARY CHURCH

Jesus' suffering and death is the atonement of our sins.
Remembering His suffering and walking with Him on His sorrowful journey
is not meant to invoke guilt, shame, or condemnation.
Rather, this pilgrimage is meant to show us
Jesus' tremendous love for us in saving us from our sins.
Knowing the full weight of what He suffered
allows us to know the full weight of His mercy.
To walk with Jesus on this pilgrimage is to encounter
His wounds, His sorrows, and His death,
so we may know in true faith that Jesus died
specifically for each of us
out of nothing less than true love.

"NO GREATER LOVE IS THERE THAN THIS
THAN TO LAY DOWN ONE'S LIFE FOR A FRIEND."

-John 15:13

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

Sat	19	STM	5:00PM	+Ruth Reim
Sun	20	STM	8:30AM	For the People
	20	STJ	10:30AM	All Soul's Day Intentions
Mon	21	---	-----	Daily Mass Not Scheduled
Tue	22	STM	8:00AM	+George Perlinger
Wed	23	CC	9:15AM	+MaryAnn Sorenson
Thu	24	STM	8:00AM	+Nancy Stander
Fri	25	STM	8:00AM	+Lois Loots
Sat	26	OXB	9:15AM	Pastor's Intention
	26	STM	5:00PM	All Soul's Day Intention
Sun	27	STM	8:30AM	+Lefty Anderson
	27	STJ	10:30AM	For the People

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Mon	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
Tue	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
Wed	<i>Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop</i> Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
Thu	Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
Fri	<i>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</i> Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Sat	Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
SUN	<i>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</i> Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION BEFORE MASS AT THESE TIMES OR CALL THE RECTORY

SAT ST MARY 4:00-4:50PM
TUE ST MARY 7:35-7:55AM

SUN ST MARY 8:00-8:20AM
THU ST MARY 7:35-7:55AM

SUN ST JOSEPH 10:10-10:20AM
FRI ST MARY 7:35-7:55AM

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 also available for print at stmaryashland.org or in the wall pockets in the back of St. Mary Church. Completed registration forms may be mailed to the church office or placed in the weekly collection basket.

Welcome to your new parish home!

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Ryan & Morgan Sattler, and their daughter Josephine.
We're blessed that you are here!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday in Lent at 6:30pm (except Good Friday) in St. Mary Church



Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

If you've been feeling a nudge to grow in prayer please talk to Fr. Holoubek about joining this study (**Sundays, 4:00pm in St. Mary Church basement**) or you can do it on your own. Find more information at <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/oremus-a-guide-to-catholic-prayer>

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Palm Sunday, April 10
2:00-3:00pm at St. Mary Church
with Fr. Goodwin and Fr. Holoubek
Receive the Mercy and Love of God.



MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat	March 26	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Joseph Burr
	Reader	Rita Smits
Sun	March 27	8:30am
	Acolyte	Craig Buescher
	Reader	Rod Reisen
Sun	March 27	10:30am
	Reader	Kevin Hofferber
	Offertory	Hummel

PLEASE PRAY AND FAST FOR UKRAINE and all who are suffering the devastating effects of this war. By the will of God, may it come to end soon.

Prayer for Peace

Almighty and Eternal Father, God of wisdom and Mercy, Whose power exceeds all force of arms and Whose protection is the strong defense of all who trust in Thee, enlighten and direct, we beseech Thee, those who bear the heavy responsibility of government throughout the world in these days of stress and trial. Grant them the strength to stand firm for what is right and the skill to dispel the fears that foment discord; Inspire them to be mindful of the horrors of atomic war for victor and vanquished alike, to Beck conciliation in truth and patience, to see in every man a brother, that the people of all nations may, in our day, enjoy the blessing of a just and lasting peace. Conscious of our own unworthiness, we implore Thy mercy on a sinful world in the Name of Thy Divine Son, the Prince of Peace, and through the intercession of His Blessed Mother and all the saints. Amen.



Queen of All Saints, pray for us.
Queen of the Holy Rosary, pray for us.
Queen of Peace, pray for us.

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD MAR 9– MAR 15

St Mary and St Joseph parishes are sustained by the generosity of our parishioners. Thank you for your continued dedication and support!

	St Mary	St Joseph
Adult Envelopes	\$2,537.00	\$240.00
Plate	80.00	46.00
Votive Candles	15.00	
Southern NE Register	20.00	
Utility Fund	320.00	40.00
Mass Stipends	10.00	
Combined Collection	100.00	
Total	\$3,082.00	\$326.00
Weekly Budget	\$2,417.00	\$611.00

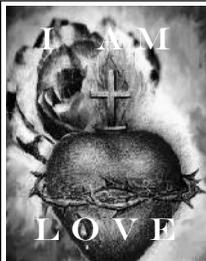
St Mary and St Joseph Churches offer automated clearing house (ACH) giving as a way to automate your weekly offering. ACH giving offers convenience to parish members and provides donation consistency for our parish budgets. To enroll, please complete an ACH Authorization Form found on the table at the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

LENT would be a great time to try the **Tuesday Morning Women's Faith-Sharing Group**, which meets just after 8:00am Mass, or the **Thursday Morning Men's Group**, which meets from 6-7am (breakfast included). Both groups meet in St. Mary Church basement. Parishioners from St. Mary and St. Joseph parishes welcome! No RSVP necessary. Come as you are! Bring a friend.



SEMINARIAN PRAYER CALENDAR This week please pray for Paul Mach, College 4 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. Paul is from St. Teresa Parish in Lincoln and St. Michael Parish in Fairbury.

DEANERY AND DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS



I AM LOVE

Praise & Worship Teaching
Adoration Healing Prayers

Presented to you by priests from the Archdiocese of Omaha and the Diocese of Lincoln, and musicians and prayer teams from your area. All events are 6:00-9:00pm at the following dates and locations:

Friday, March 25th
St. Patrick Church 3400 E 16th St, Fremont

Thursday, June 9th

St. Joseph Church 7900 Trendwood Dr, Lincoln

Friday, September 30th

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 5419 N 114th St, Omaha

Friday, December 9

North American Martyrs 1101 Isaac Dr, Lincoln

Catholic Coffee House talk on Biblical Formation, March 20. Consists of panel conversation, Q & A, and some time to socialize. St. Thomas Aquinas-Newman Center, Lincoln in Rooms 18/19 (downstairs) from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. There is no fee and no RSVP. For more information: www.newmaninstitute.com/coffeehouse



The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies will present **"A Biblical Journey Through Holy Week: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday"**, on **Saturday, April 9**, from 9am-1pm at St. Joseph Church in Lincoln. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Learn more and register at www.emmausinstitute.net. Space is limited.



TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) is a weekend retreat for Sophomores and above in High School and college Freshmen and Sophomores. The retreat is designed to draw young people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The experience of Christ on the weekend will leave you yearning for more in your daily life. The retreat usually begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning and concludes Monday afternoon around 4 p.m. on most weekends. Cost is \$120.



April 9-11 @ Camp Kateri Tekekwitha*

Register at <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec>

*Please pray for St. Mary parishioners Nate & Lisa Isaacson who will be helping with this TEC Retreat!

ANNUAL HOLY WEEK RETREAT for single women, ages 19-32. The Marian Sisters invite you to enter more deeply into the Passion and death of our Lord. The silent retreat will be held at Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly, NE, April 14-April 16. \$30 for students and \$40 for non-students. For more information or to register, please visit their website at mariansisters.org or contact Sr. Amy Marie at marian-vocations@cdolinc.net or by phone (402)786-2750.



Lenten Regulations for the Diocese of Lincoln
Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.
All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.

FASTING means eating only one full meal with two smaller meals that together do not equal the full meal. No snacking or eating between meals is allowed. Fasting obliges all Catholics between the of ages 18 and 59.

ABSTINENCE means eating no meat and no soup or gravy from meat. Abstinence obliges all Catholics age 14 and over.

Sickness, hard manual labor, pregnancy, etc. automatically excuses a person from these obligations. Nevertheless, it should be pointed out that these are serious obligations. In cases of doubt or questions, the priest who hears a person's confession should be consulted.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE in Lincoln March 2 - April 10 Join this worldwide movement to pray and fast for an end to abortion. Daily prayer vigils at Planned Parenthood from 6am - 8pm to protect mothers and children. This is a wonderful Lenten sacrifice to share with your family. Join us or make a commitment during Lent to pray & fast on your own. Info and sign up: www.40DaysforLife.com/lincoln



FROM MATT TALBOT KITCHEN & OUTREACH

Thanks to all who participated in and made contributions to the 2022 Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser, which benefited Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach! Your kindness, compassion and support bring hope to the working poor and homeless in our community. Thank you!



Stuebenville High School Youth Conference- Steubenville Conferences are specialized to address the needs of today's Catholic youth. With an exciting lineup of speakers, musicians and presenters, the High School Youth Conferences challenge Catholic youth to stand firm in their faith, to rely upon the awesome power of Jesus Christ as their guide, friend and Savior, and to show that faith to the world. July 15-17, 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/stuebenville-youth-conference>



Camp Kateri: Summer Camp Registration Registration is now open for SKY Camp (current grades 4-8th), Catholic Adventure Camp (grades 3rd-5th) and the Tekakwitha Games (grades 4-8th). For more information, or to register for camp, go to www.campkateri.org

Camp Kateri: Summer Camp Counselor Volunteers Needed Camp Kateri is now accepting applications for volunteer high school counselors (grades 9-12th) for SKY, Catholic Adventure Camp and the Tekakwitha Games. For more information, or to download an application, please go to www.campkateri.org



DEANERY AND DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

In the USA, abortion takes over 600,000 lives a year. *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health* could change that.

The Mississippi law at stake in this case bans abortion after 15 weeks. The question before the Supreme Court is whether all pre-viability bans on elective abortions are unconstitutional. This is the case that could **overturn *Roe v. Wade***—the Supreme Court decision which made abortion legal in all 50 states. Oral arguments were heard in court Dec. 1, 2021. Decision not expected until June 2022.

Nine justices currently stand between life & death for millions of innocent children & their mothers.

The most important thing we can do is to bend our knees in supplication to our Lord Jesus Christ, asking for the end to *Roe*, and the end to the brutal practice of abortion. Find for information and resources at: www.prayfordobbs.com
www.firstthings.com/article/2021/10/roe-must-fall-a-symposium



#HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT

We need your voice to advocate for LIFE! The NE Legislature will soon debate the most historic pro-life bill in it's history, LB933.



Scan the QR code or visit NECatholic.org to learn how you can help LB933 become law.



Please Pray & Fast on Tuesdays

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



Upcoming Events - Save the Date

- Mar 20 Remus Study 4:00pm
- Mar 25 Stations of the Cross 6:30pm
- Apr 1 First Friday Adoration
- Apr 1 Stations of the Cross 6:30pm
- Apr 2 Men in Mission
- Apr 2 First Saturday Devotion
- Apr 3 St. Mary Coffee & Rolls
- Apr 8 Stations of the Cross 6:30pm
- Apr 10 Palm Sunday
- Apr 12 Noon-Holy Week Service & Lunch at St. Mary
- Apr 14 Holy Thursday
- Apr 15 Good Friday
- Apr 16 Holy Saturday
- Apr 17 Easter Sunday
- Apr 21 Altar Society Meeting (a week later due to Holy Week)



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

March Donation Requests

Please leave donations in the boxes in the back of St. Mary church

VFW Food Pantry - Toilet Tissue, Evaporated Milk, & Kleenex. Call Jean Stewart 402-944-3483 for assistance.

Kids' Cupboard - Mac & Cheese Cups or Packets

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 needs.

ROC Meals for Ashland Youth St. Mary Parish provides a meal for local young people and leaders at this Ashland based youth center on the first Tuesday of each month. There is a new sign up sheet in the back of St. Mary Church for 2022. You can sign up for as many or as few items as you like. Currently 25-35 servings of each item are needed. Dishes need to be dropped off at the ROC Center, 124 N 14th Street, by 5:00pm. They provide their own paper products and serving utensils! St. Joseph parishioners are welcome to participate as well, as the center serves Greenwood youth too!



MEN IN MISSION is a community fellowship of men that meets the first Saturday morning of every month in the Ashland area churches. All men are always welcome. Please join them **Sat, April 2, 6:30am** at United Methodist Church, 1442 Adams St, with guest speaker, Ron Flock. Breakfast served, no RSVP necessary.



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.

Women's Faith-Sharing Group This group meets after 8:00am mass on Tuesdays in St. Mary church basement. Women of both parishes welcome.

Thursday Morning Men's Group This group meets every Thursday from 6-7am in the church basement, coffee & breakfast provided. Contact Fr. Holoubek for more information.

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 St. Mary Call or text Lisa Isaacson at 402-314-4340. There is no cost to rent the hall, but a donation of \$25 is suggested.

Hall Rental St. Joseph Contact Leslie Krings at 402-480-5242.

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.