

July 16, 2023

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

Saint Mary & Saint Joseph Catholic Churches Father Robert Matya

1625 Adams Street Ashland, NE 68003
Rectory & Fax (402) 944-3554

Emergency Priest contact Davey 402-785-3445 or Valparaiso 402-784-2511

Father Matya's eMail: [please stay tuned](mailto:please_stay_tuned)

Church Office eMail: stmaryashland@windstream.net

Web site: <https://stmaryashland.org/> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stmary.org/>

Preschool: (402) 944-7509 ashlandstmarypreschool@windstream.net

Diocese of Lincoln: www.lincolndiocese.org



St. Joseph Church
7 Oak Street, Greenwood
Sunday Mass 10:30AM

Totus Tuus 2023 is Here!

St.Mary & St.Joseph *-so-much-more-than-a-* Vacation Bible School

High School Starts Tonight, Sunday, July 16
Preschool -8th grades start Tomorrow, Monday, July 17

We are fortunate to be able to offer our families this fun, faith-filled program provided by the Lincoln Diocese.

TOTUS TUUS, Latin for "Totally Yours," is a summer Catholic catechetical program dedicated to the youth in order to teach the faith of the Church and to help them develop their relationship with Jesus Christ, so that there is an intimate friendship whereby He may lead them to the Father in the Holy Spirit.

*It's not too late to sign up,
even if your child(ren) can't make it every day!*

All parishioners. please pray this week for our students, teachers, volunteers, parents and families.

And we'd love it if you could attend the Parish Potluck
Wednesday, July 19 6:00pm
(details inside bulletin)



MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

Sat	15	STM	5:00PM	Dave & Deb Hoffman
Sun	16	STM	8:30AM	George & Winnie von Rentzell
	16	STJ	10:30AM	For the People
Mon	17	STM	11:30AM	+Ed Kresak
Tue	18	STM	11:30AM	+Mac McKown
Wed	19	CC	9:15AM	All Souls' Day Intentions
	19	STM	11:30AM	Totus Tuus Students & Teachers
Thu	20	STM	11:30AM	Nicole & Jake
Fri	21	STM	11:30AM	Madison Ridder & Cameron Pieper Marriage
Sat	22	---	---	Daily Mass Not Scheduled
	22	STM	5:00PM	The Tom Spears Family
Sun	23	STM	8:30AM	For the People
	23	STJ	10:30AM	+Erna Galardi

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Mon	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tue	Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
Wed	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
Thu	Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
Fri	Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8
Sat	Saint Mary Magdalene Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
SUN	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/ Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

If you need a priest during our transition time, please contact Davey 402-785-3445, or Valparaiso 402-784-2511.

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

SAT ST MARY 4:00-4:50PM

SUN ST MARY 8:00-8:20AM

SUN ST JOSEPH 10:10-10:20AM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the rectory to register, or for information on any of our parish activities/organizations. Registration forms for St. Mary & St. Joseph parishes also available for print at stmaryashland.org or in the wall pockets in the back of St. Mary Church. Completed forms may be mailed to the church office or placed in the weekly collection basket.

PLEASE NOTE: We will temporarily only have weekend Masses and some special daily Masses, celebrated by visiting priests. We are not sure when Fr. Matya will be in residence here. Regular daily Masses will resume as soon as possible after his arrival. Should you need a priest during this transition time, please contact Fr. Deitrich in Davey 402-785-3445, or Fr. Zimmer in Valparaiso 402-784-2511, or call the rectory for assistance. Thanks for your understanding, patience, and much needed prayers!

PLEASE FAST & PRAY ON MONDAYS

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



MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat	July 22	5:00pm
	Acolyte	Tom Spears
	Reader	Karen Stille
Sun	July 23	8:30am
	Acolyte	Patrick Prince
	Reader	Paul Rohrs
Sun	July 23	10:30am
	Reader	Anna Boggs
	Offertory	Krings

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD JUNE 6– JULY 11
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	\$1,297.00	315.00
Plate	262.35	141.00
Votive Candles	45.00	
Mission Co-op	50.00	20.00
Peter's Pence	10.00	20.00
Monthly ACH	735.00	
Total	\$2,399.35	\$496.00
Weekly Budget	\$2,417.00	\$413.00

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 in the wall pockets at the back of St. Mary church or call the parish office. Parishioners can also donate electronically on the parish web site: <https://stmaryashland.org>

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING Fr. Matya has had a recent significant set-back in his recovery. He remains hopeful and positive, but his permanent arrival at our parishes is understandably uncertain. He does not take any of our prayers for granted. If you need a priest during this time please contact Fr. Deitrich in Davey 402-785-3445, or Fr. Zimmer in Valparaiso 402-784-2511, or call the rectory for assistance.



STIR-UP BINGO! *If you are reading this on Saturday*, please come back tonight, July 15, for BINGO in St. Mary Church Basement, any time from 7-10pm. Hosted by the Knights!



ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We'd still love to have your kids, even if you haven't signed up yet!

Totus Tuus, July 16-21 at St. Mary Church in Ashland
Ages 3 to entering kindergarten
 Mon-Fri 9-11am \$10.00 per child

Entering 1st thru 8th grades

Mon-Fri 9am-3pm

Children bring a sack lunch.

\$25 for one child \$40 for two children

\$50 for three or more children

Entering 9th-12th grades

Sun-Thu evenings 6:30-8:30pm with dinner included
 \$15 per high schooler

(Thursday evening is a fun night and may start earlier and run later)

Registration forms on the back table in St. Mary Church or contact Joanna Torpy at joannatorpy@gmail.com

And it's ok if your child(ren) can only attend some of the days.

**Tuition Assistance Available*



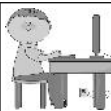
PARISH POTLUCK!!! Wednesday, July 19, 6:00pm

Both parishes welcome! Join us in St. Mary Church Basement. Please bring a main dish and/or a side to share. Even if you don't have a child, grandchild, or relative attending, we still invite you to come. This is a parish celebration, and the youth truly benefit from our encouragement to continue to grow in their faith. Plus you can meet the amazing visiting team!



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped with, donated to, or shopped at this year's rummage. Once again we had a very successful sale that wouldn't have happened without you! Thanks!

ST. MARY PRESCHOOL is accepting registrations for the 2023-24 school year! Ages 3-6. Classes are Mon, Wed, Thur. Call (402)944-7509 for more info (be sure to leave a message if prompted and we will call you back). Discount for parishioners. Non-parishioners and non-Catholics most welcome!



WEBSITE VOLUNTEER Would you be willing to try your hand at keeping the parish website up-to-date? Please contact Marge Buescher at marge.buescher@gmail.com for details.

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS



Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House to host **World-Renowned Catholic Music Artist Matt Maher** for a live, outdoor concert Sunday, August 13, 7PM. Tickets are \$15, and can be purchased on line at goodcounselretreat.org/60years. Or purchase in Omaha at Spirit Catholic Radio, Gloria Deo, and Cosgraves; or in the Lincoln area at Good Counsel Retreat House (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday) and Gloria Deo.

LADIES, PLEASE COME SHARE your 'works of mercy' ideas with ladies in the Omaha and Grand Island Diocese on Monday, July 17, 2023 at a 'Province' meeting in Grand Island at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. (The NCCW 'Province' includes the three Diocese in Nebraska.) Registration begins at 8am. Mass at 11:15 am. Fr. Allan Phan from our Diocese will be the featured speaker. Dismissal planned for 3pm. Pre-registration is required and the form can be found by Googling LDCCW. Click on 'Upcoming Events', Province meeting.



Looking to go on a retreat in the Lincoln area?

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly has several retreats this summer/fall. Join us for a 4-Day or 8-Day Ignatian Retreat July 16-20, or July 12-20 with Fr. Coulter or Matt Simmons, "Day for Dads" on Saturday, July 29 from 1:00-6:30pm with Fr. Clark and Jeremy Ekeler, and "Priest, Prophet, King - Orphan, Stranger, Widow" retreat on Aug. 18-20 with Fr. Sughroue. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, send an email to office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.



Calling all single Catholics! August 25-27, Join 400+ singles coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 22nd National Conference for Single Catholics at St. John's Resort, in Plymouth, MI *OR participate virtually and engage with others via the online socials and small group discussions.* This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles (of all ages). The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. (If joining us in-person, use the promo code **(PARISH23)** when you register to get \$50 off! *Discount for the first 50 sign ups nationwide to use this code.*) Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more info and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)



Spirit Catholic Radio currently seeking a Community Engagement Coordinator.

This full-time, Omaha-based position has the awesome job of bringing awareness to the Spirit Catholic Radio Network's initiatives across the state of Nebraska and Iowa to Catholic schools, parishes, and apostolates/ministries. If you enjoy communicating, relationship-building, and evangelizing, apply today at <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/careers>



ASSUMPTION-DWIGHT ANNUAL PARISH CZECH DINNER Sunday, July 23. Serving 10:30am to 2:00pm, Parish Hall in Dwight. Roast Pork, Dumplings & Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Cucumbers, Rolls, Desserts, Pies, & Kolaches. Cash Raffle, Quilt Raffle, Country Store, Cake Walk, Czech Music, & More! Adults \$17 Kids 8&under \$8. Air Conditioned! Mass with Czech Hymns at 10am.



PRO-LIFE WORKSHOP FOR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS

Sunday, July 30, 5-7pm at the Newman Center on UNO Campus in Omaha. Learn how to effectively communicate and defend being pro-life in a discussion. Meet other pro-life students. Enjoy some pizza! And earn community service hours. Register by emailing connie.boesch@abortiondialogueacademy.org or using this QR code.



Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Chris Eckrich

February 22-March 4, 2024. The pilgrimage will start in Jordan with the Old Testament where Moses stood on Mt. Nebo overlooking the Jordan River and the Promised Land. We will also visit the lost city of Petra before going to Israel to follow in Jesus' footsteps, ending with the Via Dolorosa. To see the full itinerary, go to: <https://executivetravel.com/lincoln-diocese/> To request a brochure or for more information, call Barb Wallingford at (402) 435-8888.



Another Opportunity to go to the Holy Land Join Fr. Rand of North Platte St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish for a Holy Land Pilgrimage departure city Lincoln from April 8-18, 2024. Fr. Rand who holds a degree in Travel & Tourism and Business has worked with Tekton Ministries to make the trip more affordable and friendly to older pilgrims. To view the brochure, see pricing and learn more- visit TetkonMinistries.org and click view pilgrimages-scroll down to Holy Land April 8 from Lincoln and click view details. Prayerfully consider if God is calling you to the land that Jesus walked and gave himself to us.

Called to the Silence: 3 Day Directed Ignatian Retreats God speaks to you in the silence. Are you ready for some quiet time away to pray, to listen, to be? You will meet with an Ignatian-trained spiritual director daily to reflect on what's stirring in your heart. Opportunity for Mass daily and confession. Retreat cost including room and meals is \$375. October 26-28. Retreat begins at 6:00pm, following check-in, and ending by 3:00pm. Register at www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats



3 Day Ignatian Silent Retreat, Women of Hope Who Find God in All Things, led by Sharon Doran, leader of Seeking Truth Bible Study, August 24-27, 2023 at Creighton University Retreat Center, Griswold, IA. Get away from the hectic pace of life and listen to how God is speaking to you through the sacred scriptures in the special rhythm of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. To register, Creighton.edu/curc.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER "Experiencing a heart-to-heart exchange inside our couple-love." Sept. 22-24 in Hastings Call right-away, space is limited. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger 303-604-6202





SAVE the DATE

60th Anniversary Events

CELEBRATE 60 YEARS WITH THE GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE

Dedication Day was celebrated May 24, 2023, the 60th anniversary of when Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House (and the Marian Center) was set aside for divine worship!

Matt Maher Outdoor 60th Anniversary Concert, August 13, 2023

Join us on our beautiful, green lawns for a live concert with top Catholic music artist Matt Maher
When: Sunday, August 13 at 7:00pm Where: 7303 N. 112th St. Waverly, NE 69462
Purchase Your Matt Maher Tickets Online

Tickets can also be purchased in Omaha at Spirit Catholic Radio, Gloria Deo, and Cosgraves;
in Lincoln at Good Counsel Retreat House (8:30am-4:30pm Mon-Thurs) and Gloria Deo

Outdoor Holy Day Mass with Bishop Conley, August 15, 2023

The Catholic Center invites you to our outdoor Mass with Bishop Conley
on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary When: Tuesday August 15 at 7:30pm

Gala Dinner, September 29, 2023

You are invited to the Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House Gala Dinner at Hillcrest Country Club
Featured speakers Bishop James Conley and Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM

When: Friday, September 29 from 5:30-9:00PM Where: Hillcrest Country Club: 9401 E O St, Lincoln, NE 68520

Live Nativity, St. Nicholas Blessing and Marians Caroling at the Catholic Center, December 9, 2023

Stay in your car or walk around – singing, snacks, and sites. When: Saturday, December 9 from 5:00-7:00pm

Catholic Center Open House, May 19, 2024

Visit Marycrest Motherhouse, Villa Marie Home & School for Exceptional Children, and Our Lady of Good Counsel
Retreat House for an Open House tour and treats When: Sunday, May 19 from 1:00-4:00pm

Corpus Christi Mass, Eucharistic Procession and Family Carnival Fun / Lunch, June 2, 2024

Join Bishop Conley and guest homilist Fr. Paul Check.

When: Sunday, June 2 at 10:30am Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House

Upcoming Events - Save the Date

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- July 15 BINGO in St. Mary Basement
 - July 16-21 Totus Tuus Vacation Bible School
 - Aug 4 First Friday Adoration
 - Aug 5 Men In Mission
 - Saturday Devotion
 - Aug 20 Ashland Christian Unity Picnic Sunday

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

July Donation Requests

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

VFW Food Pantry - Spam, Instant Potatoes, Cleaning Supplies. Call or Text 531-240-0186 if you or anyone you know needs assistance from the VFW Food Pantry.



Greenwood Food Pantry Needs Donations!

Accepting non-perishable & perishable food items. Drop off at the Greenwood Community Building. 402-789-2300

ROC Meals for Ashland-Greenwood Youth Our parishes provide a meal for local young people and leaders at this youth center on the first Tuesday of each month. Sign up in the back of St. Mary Church. Currently 25 servings of each item needed, dropped off at the ROC Center, 124 N 14th Street, by 5:00pm. The Center provides its own paper products and serving utensils!

Parish Groups and Contacts

Knights of Columbus Open to all Catholic men, meets the first Thursday of the month at 7pm. Craig Buescher 402-469-8390.

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". Contact President Teresa Kresak 402-521-0852.

St. Joseph Altar Society This group includes all women of the parish. Contact Ginny Hummel for info ginnyh49@hotmail.com

Women's Faith-Sharing Group This group meets after 8:00am Mass on Tuesdays in St. Mary church basement. Women of both parishes welcome. Contact the rectory for information.

Thursday Morning Men's Group This group meets every Thursday from 6-7am in the church basement, coffee & breakfast provided. Contact Anthony Weaver for more information, 402-669-0582.

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.