

August 18, 2024

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Mary Church
1625 Adams Street, Ashland
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM
Sunday Mass 10:30AM

Saint Mary & Saint Joseph Catholic Churches
Father Robert Matya

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Father Matya's email: rmatya2@gmail.com



St. Joseph Church
7 Oak Street, Greenwood
Sunday Mass 8:30AM
stjosephgreenwood.org

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Web site: stmaryashland.org Facebook: facebook.com/stmaryashland
Preschool: (402) 944-7509 ashlandstmarypreschool@windstream.net
Diocese of Lincoln: www.lincolndiocese.org



My Eucharistic Lord, I do believe in Your presence.
Please help me when I have doubts.
I thank You for the very gift of Yourself,
given to me in the reception of Holy Communion.
Please continue to teach me about this Gift, dear Lord.
Open my mind to understand
so that I will always come forward
to receive with the utmost
faith, love and hope.

Jesus, I trust in You.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

Sat	17	STM	5:00PM	+Bryce Budz
Sun	18	STJ	8:30AM	All Souls' Day Intentions
	18	STM	10:30AM	For the People
Mon	19			Daily Mass Not Scheduled
Tue	20	STM	8:00AM	+Marie Christensen
Wed	21	CC	9:00AM	+Loreta DeMarco
Thu	22	STM	8:00AM	+Marcia Henderson
Fri	23	STM	8:00AM	Rich Hood
Sat	24	OXB	9:15AM	Pastor's Intentions
Sat	24	STM	5:00PM	+Don & +Dorothy Buescher
Sun	25	STJ	8:30AM	For the People
Sun	25	STM	10:30AM	Mary Meehan

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Mon	<i>Saint John Eudes, Priest</i> Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
Tue	<i>Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church</i> Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
Wed	<i>Saint Pius X, Pope</i> Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
Thu	<i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
Fri	<i>Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin</i> Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
Sat	<i>Saint Bartholomew, Apostle</i> Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
SUN	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES AT THESE TIMES OR CALL THE RECTORY

SAT ST MARY 4:00-4:50PM

SUN ST JOSEPH 8:00-8:20AM

SUN ST MARY 10:00-10:20AM

NEW PARISHIONERS

You may call or email the rectory to register, or to find out more 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. Welcome to your new parish home!

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES VIA EMAIL AND TEXT!

Announcements delivered to your phone or computer. To sign up, text **SMJ** to **84576**



or go online at:
stmarycatholicchurch23.flocknote.com

STMARYASHLAND.ORG
AND STJOSEPHGREENWOOD.ORG



St. Mary Church facebook page!
facebook.com/stmaryashland



SISTERS VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR

This week please pray for Sr. Maravillas of Jesus from Lake Elmo, MN, currently a Jr. Professed Novice with the Sisters of Carmel of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.



MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat	Aug 24	5:00pm	St. Mary Church
	Acolyte		Patrick Prince
	Reader		Donna Nicholson
Sun	Aug 25	8:30am	St. Joseph Church
	Reader		Leslie Krings
	Offertory		Hummel
Sun	Aug 25	10:30am	St. Mary Church
	Acolyte		Craig Buescher
	Reader		Marge Buescher

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD AUG 7- AUG 13

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	\$1,270.00	410.00
Plate	343.00	142.00
Mass Stipends	10.00	
Votive Candles	23.00	
Monthly ACH	1,585.00	
On-Line Giving	1,595.00	
Total	\$4,826.00	\$552.00
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

CONGRATULATIONS



to Joseph & Lily Burr
on the recent baptism of their
infant daughter, Lucy Mae!

NOTHING GIVES ME GREATER JOY
THAN TO HEAR THAT MY CHILDREN
ARE WALKING IN THE TRUTH. 3 John 1:4



CCD!

Learn and Grow...
together
With Jesus

ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH CCD BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY!

Grades K-8 CCD begins Wednesday, August 21 at St. Mary in Ashland. Parents and children meet in the church at 6:30pm. For more information contact Tanya Keith at bghkeith@hotmail.com or Joanna Torpy at joannatorpy@gmail.com

ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH YOUTH GROUP

Grades 9-12 will begin meeting Sunday, September 8, from 7:00-8:30PM at the home of Joe and Lily Burr, 1718 Clay St. in Ashland. All high school students are welcome and wanted!!! Don't hesitate to contact Lily for more info, 402-480-1412.



SEPTEMBER ADORATION SUB NEEDED

We are in need of someone to fill in for adoration on Saturday, September 7, from 4:00am to 5:00am. Please call or text Lisa if you are able to take this hour, 402-314-4340.



ST. MARY PRESCHOOL STARTS MONDAY, AUG 19

ages 3-5 Mon-Wed-Thu AM or PM

It's not too late to register!

Call today! 402-944-7509

(leave a message and we will call back as soon as possible)

Discounted tuition for parishioners!



ALTAR SOCIETY VICE-PRESIDENT & SECRETARY

We are looking for a new Secretary and Vice-President. Please consider if these are needs you can fill. Contact Deb Hoffman to volunteer or for more information, 402-944-7718 (call or text) or grandmadeb55@outlook.com



SEPTEMBER 15th BLOCK PARTY VOLUNTEERS!

If you can volunteer your time to help set up, tear down, or other various roles that weekend, please reach out to Mollie at agme.outreach@gmail.com or 402-450-5903. Thank you for your generosity!

Want to Volunteer?



THANK YOU for your patience during the spread out process of replacing the three main air conditioner units at St. Mary. Todd Valley was very accommodating to work around Mass and adoration schedules, which lengthened the process, but they finally completed installation this week. We appreciate your understanding as we learn the new system and adjust it to best fit our cooling needs.



SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ASHLAND'S

100TH BIRTHDAY

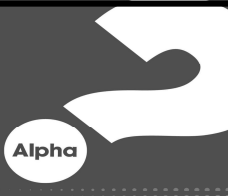
BLOCK PARTY

NEW DATE: **SEPT 15 | 5-8PM**

Music By **RIVERFRONT**

LIVE MUSIC
RUHLMAN'S FOOD
DRINKS
GAMES... & MORE!

FAMILY EVENT
FREE ADMISSION
17 & ADAMS ASHLAND, NE




NO RELIGION REQUIRED
LET'S START A CONVERSATION ABOUT JESUS

11-week course
Mondays from 7-9pm
starting Sept. 23rd at the
American Legion, 16th & Silver, Ashland
Dinner always provided. Open to everyone.


MORE INFO: CALL/TEXT MOLLIE 402-450-5903

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS


Holy Trinity Parish, Brainard, Chicken Dinner
Sunday, August 18th, 10:30am-2:30pm. Serving buffet style: Chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, coleslaw, cucumbers, tomatoes, pie, kolaches, rolls, coffee, tea and lemonade. Adults: \$15, Children (under 12) \$8.00. Dine-in, take-out and drive-thru available. Join us for Mass at 10am. Also featuring a bake sale, raffle & accordion jamboree.



ROAST BEEF DINNER, Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church
Enjoy a fun-filled day with the Plasi Parishioners on Sunday, August 25th from 11:00-2:00! Make the trip to the Prague Parish Hall for a FULL self-serve roast beef dinner with loads of sides, including kolaches! Try your hand at our bake/gift walk and \$1,000 raffle! Purchase delicious baked goods from our masterful bakers! A wide variety of unique items will be waiting for your bid at our auction! Meal prices: Adults-\$16, Children (5-10 years)-\$7, Preschool-Free. (No added fee for take-outs!) A host of dining options will be available: dine in, take-out, or drive-thru.



SALT DOGS FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT! Join us at Haymarket Park in downtown Lincoln! A variety of entertainment beginning 2 hours prior to game, including In-Stadium Chapel with the Players, Catch in the Outfield, Player Autographs, and Live Church Band on the Concourse. Bake sales & Merchandise Booths on the Concourse will remain until the end of the game. Wednesday, Aug 28, 7:05 pm



STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE THIS SEPTEMBER
Learn how to bring the peace of Christ into your relationship by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! September 27-29, 2024, at North American Martyrs, Lincoln. For questions, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839, or visit www.wmme.org



You're Invited To

The Magnificat

An annual celebration dinner to benefit
Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House

Friday Evening
September 13th

Wilderness Ridge Country Club
1500 Wilderness Woods Place, Lincoln

5:00 Cocktails
6:30 Dinner

Purchase tickets today to reserve your spot at this special event.

goodcounselretreat.org/dinner

Scan below to learn more and purchase tickets online!



WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT Rest and renew yourself in God's Love before the holidays, by attending this Ignatian Silent Conferenced Women's Retreat November 7-10, 2024 at the Creighton University Retreat Center. This 3-day silent retreat offers abundant time for enjoying the rhythms of quiet reflection and prayer, 8 talks by an Ignatian trained Speaker, wandering in nature, and journaling, with opportunities for Eucharist, time with a spiritual director and Reconciliation. Meals as well as the rest of the time will be in prayerful silence. The retreat cost is based on single occupancy and includes meals—\$425; Check-in Thursday between 4:00 –5:00 p.m. The retreat concludes Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Register by scanning the code or on-line at www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats




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.

Upcoming Dates:



October 12-14, 2024 @ Hastings St. Cecilia

December 7-9, 2024 @ Nebraska City Lourdes

February 15-17, 2025 @ Wahoo Neumann

April 4-7, 2025 @ Camp Kateri, McCool Junction

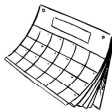
June 27-29, 2025 @ David City Aquinas

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

(Nate & Lisa Isaacson, from our parishes, help with the April TEC. Reach out to them if you have any questions) 402-314-4340 or mrs.nate.isaacson@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS-SAVE THE DATE

- Aug 19 First Day of St. Mary Preschool!
- Aug 21 CCD begins for Kindergarten-8th Grade
- Sep 6 First Friday Adoration
- Sep 7 Men in Mission
- First Saturday Devotion
- Sep 8 Youth Group begins
- Sep 12 St. Mary Altar Society Meeting
- Sep 15 100th Anniversary Block Party
- Nov 3 Mass at St. Mary with Bishop Conley



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

August Donation Requests

Please place donations in crates in back of St. Mary Church

Ashland Food Pantry— Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup, Boxed Cereal, and Canned Fruit . Call or Text 531-240-0186 if you or anyone you know needs assistance.

St. Mary Preschool— Liquid Hand Soap and Ticky Tack.



Greenwood Food Pantry Accepting non-perishable & perishable food items. Drop off at the Greenwood Community Building. Call 402-789-2300 for info and assistance.

The Ashland Ministerial Association,

a collaboration of all area churches, provides year round assistance to community members in need. Donations always appreciated. At any time place cash or check (made out to St. Mary) in an envelope marked "AMA", and simply put in weekly collection basket.



ROC Meals for Ashland-Greenwood Youth

Our parishes provide a meal for local young people & leaders at this youth center on the first Tuesday of the month during the school year. Sign up in the back of St. Mary Church. *Currently 25 servings needed, dropped off at the ROC Center, 124 N 14th Street, by 5:00pm. The Center provides dinnerware & 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 Deb Hoffman, 402-944-7718.

St. Mary & St. Joseph CCD Grades K-8. Meets Wednesday evenings in Ashland. Contact Joanna 402-850-5607 or Tanya 402-658-7322, or call the rectory for information.

St. Mary & St. Joseph Youth Group Grades 9-12. Meets Sunday evenings in Ashland. Contact Lily Burr 402-480-1412 for more information.

St. Mary Sunday Morning Choir If you would like to get involved in the 10:30am Sunday Mass choir, please contact Lisa 402-314-4340, or come on up and introduce yourself!

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 more information.

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

Eucharistic Adoration Call or text Lisa Isaacson 402-314-4340 if you are interested in a holy hour on First Friday

Hall Rental St. Mary Call or text Lisa Isaacson 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 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.

St. Mary Preschool Classes are half days, AM or PM, Mon, Wed, & Thurs. Call 402-944-7509 for information. Leave a message if prompted and we will call you back.

Bulletin Send bulletin announcements to Lisa Isaacson at mrs.nate.isaacson@gmail.com by 2:00pm Wednesday. All announcements will be reviewed by Father.