

July 13, 2025

FIFTEENTH 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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Web site: [stmaryashland.org](http://stmaryashland.org) Facebook: [facebook.com/stmaryashland](https://facebook.com/stmaryashland)

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

Diocese of Lincoln: [www.lincolndiocese.org](http://www.lincolndiocese.org)



**St. Joseph Church**  
7 Oak Street, Greenwood  
Sunday Mass 8:30AM  
[stjosephgreenwood.org](http://stjosephgreenwood.org)

My loving Lord,  
You have given everything to fallen humanity.  
You have freed us from sin  
and provided for all of our needs.  
You have acted as a true neighbor in every way.  
Please give me the grace I need to imitate You  
and to participate in the love You have for others.  
May I truly act and never hesitate to bestow on others  
the charitable love to which I am called.  
Jesus, I trust in You.



*Father Matya will be on vacation July 12-13 and July 17-25. If you need a priest during these times, please try Fr. Coulter (402-202-3782), Fr. Mills (402-202-6504), or Fr. Eickhoff (402-525-4864).*

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

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

Sat	12	STM	5:00PM	+Bill Lorenz
Sun	13	STJ	8:30AM	For the People
	13	STM	10:30AM	George & Winnie von Rentzell
Mon	14			Daily Mass Not Scheduled
Tue	15	STM	8:00AM	+Jay Hicks
Wed	16	CC	9:00AM	Pastor's Intentions
Thu	17			Daily Mass Not Scheduled
Fri	18			Daily Mass Not Scheduled
Sat	19			Daily Mass Not Scheduled
	19	STM	5:00PM	The Schwaller Family
Sun	20	STJ	8:30AM	For the People
	20	STM	10:30AM	+Mary Sundermeier

**READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

Mon	<i>Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin</i> Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tue	<i>Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
Wed	<i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i> Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
Thu	Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
Fri	<i>Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest</i> Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8
Sat	12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21
SUN	<b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES AS LISTED BELOW, OR CALL THE RECTORY

**SAT** ST MARY CHURCH 4:15-4:50PM

**SUN** ST JOSEPH CHURCH 8:00-8:20AM

**SUN** ST MARY CHURCH 10:00-10:20AM

**NEW PARISHIONERS**  

 Registration forms for St. Mary & St. Joseph parishes available for print at [stmaryashland.org](http://stmaryashland.org) or in the wall pockets in the back of St. Mary Church. Registrations may be mailed to St. Mary Church or placed in the weekly collection basket. Welcome 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** go or online at: [stmarycatholicchurch23.flocknote.com](http://stmarycatholicchurch23.flocknote.com)

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK TOO!**  
[facebook.com/stmaryashland](http://facebook.com/stmaryashland)

Find Catholic Answers @ [catholic.com](http://catholic.com)

**MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

<b>Sat Jul 19</b>	<b>5:00pm St. Mary Church</b>
Acolyte	Bruce Bolander
Reader	Anthony Weaver
Server	Grayson McConnell
Greeter	<b>Volunteers Appreciated!</b>
<b>Sun Jul 20</b>	<b>8:30am St. Joseph Church</b>
Reader	Ginny Hummel
Offertory	Aguirre
<b>Sun Jul 20</b>	<b>10:30am St. Mary Church</b>
Acolyte	Craig Buescher
Reader	Marge Buescher
Servers	Nolan Hoferer & William Torpy
Greeter	Drelicharz Family


**OUR RETURN TO THE LORD JUL 2- JUL 8**  
*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	\$2,750.00	\$415.00
Plate	896.00	187.00
Votive Candles	26.50	
Magnificat Subscription	78.00	
Peter's Pence	155.00	40.00
Monthly ACH	1,710.00	
Pearle Francis Finigan Grant	3,000.00	
Mission Co-op	124.00	40.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,739.50</b>	<b>\$682.00</b>
Weekly Budget	\$2,704.00	\$413.00

St Mary and St Joseph Churches offer automated clearing house (ACH) giving as a way to automate your weekly offering. ACH is convenient and consistent for our parishioners and planning 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: [stmaryashland.org](http://stmaryashland.org)

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**


**St Mary & St Joseph Stir-Up Parade Float**  
 Stir-Up Parade Float decorating is this Thurs. July 17 at 7pm. Gather in father's backyard... decorations provided. Everyone, of all ages, is also welcome to ride the float Saturday morning in the parade. Gather on Silver Street by our float at 9:45am (parade at 10am). If you can't find our float start location, text/call Mollie 402-450-5903. *Wear your favorite saint costume to ride if you like!*




**STIR-UP BINGO!** Our Knights are hosting Bingo for the community, Saturday, July 19. Come any time from 6:30-9:30PM down in St. Mary Church Hall! Join the fun "B-4" it's too late!




**STIR-UP FOOD STAND** Help is still needed Saturday, July 19, from 8:00-10:30, 10:30-1:00, or 1:00-3:30. Please check the sign-up at the back of St. Mary Church or call/text Julie Rosenbaum 402-440-5392 or Marge Buescher 402-984-1761 to volunteer. Many hands make light and joyful service!




**Directory Photos** The directory family photos from Kim Ridder are ready to view on our website at [stmaryashland.org](http://stmaryashland.org) (scroll down, right hand column)! These photos are yours as a gift from Kim... feel free to download and share as you wish. The process of getting our online and print photo directory up and running has begun... stay tuned. **If you missed photos and have yet to submit one, please do so on our website.** Thanks!




**THANK YOU** so much to all the kids who attended Totus Tuus, and to everyone who helped in any way. It truly takes a village to make this fun, faith-filled week happen for the formation of our youth and for the future of our parish and church!




**St. Mary Preschool Still Has a Few Openings!**  
 Ages 3-6. 3-day per week morning or 4-day per week afternoon programs are the perfect schooling introduction for your child. Please call for more information: 402-944-7509 (leave a message if prompted and we will call back as soon as possible) or e-mail [ashlandstmarypreschool@windstream.net](mailto:ashlandstmarypreschool@windstream.net)



**HOMEMADE SMOKED PULLED PORK** Look for the Knights selling pork after weekend Masses, or if you need several packages at once, give Craig Buescher a call, 402-469-8390. **\$10 per 1 pound frozen, vacuum sealed package.**



*The minutes from the June Parish Council Meeting are posted on the website. All are welcome to review them.*



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

**Be Still My Soul-Women's Retreat** at Blessed Sacrament Church, located at 1720 Lake St., Lincoln, NE, on Saturday, July 19, from 8:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Women of all ages are invited for a day of restful prayer, Adoration, Confession, time in community with one another with talks and reflections by Sarina Stokes. Breakfast and lunch provided. No charge. RSVP at [bestillmysoulretreat.rsvpify.com](http://bestillmysoulretreat.rsvpify.com)



# OUTDOOR MASS WITH BISHOP CONLEY

VIGIL MASS OF THE ASSUMPTION

**Thursday August 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00PM**

Mass will be held at  
**the Bell Tower**

Questions?  
Call us at  
402-786-2705



### OUR LADY of CHAMPION PILGRIMAGE AUG 10-15

- Aug 10 Mass at the Holy Family Shrine Depart for La Crosse, Wisconsin
- Aug 11 Visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Evening downtown and Riverside Park
- Aug 12 Depart for the National Shrine of St. Philomena in Briggsville, WI Then Continue to Manitowoc, WI Explore North Breakwater Lighthouse
- Aug 13 Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion
- Aug 14 Day in Green Bay Visit the Shrine to St. Joseph Service Day , Tour Green Bay Packers Stadium Evening downtown & Return to Manitowoc
- Aug 15 Travel to the Grotto of Redemption in West Bend, IA & Return to Nebraska

\$500 per person, Register by July 15  
Contact Thomas Haberman at  
402.607.9706 or [tjhaberman8@gmail.com](mailto:tjhaberman8@gmail.com)  
or use QR code on poster in  
St. Mary Church entrance



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** September 19-21, Grand Island, NE. Contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839. Or for more info about these encounters go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).

### Volunteer with Catholic Social Services!

The St. Louise Gift & Thrift Store and the CSS Warehouse have availability throughout the week. Our St. Gianna Program needs childcare providers on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:45-8:00 PM. If you can lend a hand, we'd love your help! To learn more or apply, please visit [csshope.org/volunteer](http://csshope.org/volunteer) or contact us at [lbaus@csshope.org](mailto:lbaus@csshope.org).



### The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration

invite single women, ages 18-40 who are curious about religious life, to a Monastic Experience July 18-20, 2025, at their monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the Sisters in praying the Divine Office, Daily Mass, and Eucharistic Adoration, as well as experiencing Lectio Divina (praying with Scripture) and gaining wisdom from the Benedictine tradition. There is no cost to attend, and more details are available at [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org) -

Vocations - Come, Let Us Adore. The next opportunity will be Oct. 17-19, 2025. To register, please contact Sister Nancy Rose at (660) 944-2221 ext. 142 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).



## Summer-Fall Retreat Schedule

<p><b>July 1-July 31</b> <b>Busy Person's Retreat</b> (Online) Flexible, guided retreat experience, right from your home! Choose a 3-8 day retreat that fits in your schedule!</p>	<p><b>July 18-20</b> <b>"The Way"</b> <b>Healing for Women</b> Healing heart, mind, body, and soul</p>	<p><b>July 20-26</b> <b>Latin Immersion Workshop (Veterum Sapientia Institute)</b></p>
<p><b>Aug. 22-24</b> <b>Los Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio para mujeres</b> (Preached Spiritual Exercises for Women) with Padre Jeffrey Jambon</p>	<p><b>Aug. 22-24</b> <b>Unbound: Freedom in Christ</b> Open your heart and respond more fully to Jesus's invitation of abundant life. with Fr. Coulter</p>	<p><b>Sept. 4-7</b> <b>Work of the Holy Angels</b> with Opus Sanctorum Angelorum 4-day retreat Thursday-Sunday on Devotion to the Holy Angels</p>
<p><b>Sept. 19-21</b> <b>TLM Preached Spiritual Exercises for Women</b> with Fr. Martin Adams FSSP</p>	<p><b>Sept. 26-28</b> <b>Magnificat Women's Life in the Spirit</b> with Susan Potvin, Karen Herrmann and Carolyn Cannizzaro</p>	<p><b>Oct. 3-5</b> <b>Eucharistic Retreat "The Real Presence"</b> with the Knights of the Holy Eucharist</p>
<p><b>Oct. 17-19</b> <b>TLM Preached Spiritual Exercises for Men</b> with Fr. Joseph Lee, FSSP</p>	<p><b>7303 N. 112th Street</b> <b>Waverly, NE 68462</b></p> <p><b>402-786-2705</b> <b>office@olgcretreat.org</b></p>	

### The JPII Healing Center Men's Event

is coming to Fremont, Nebraska on August 1st and 2nd. Come experience raw and moving testimonies that will ignite your desire to pursue authentic healing and receive the truth of your identity as a beloved son. During this 2-day retreat, you will come face to face with your brokenness and pain and gently receive the Father's love for you through community, brotherhood, and vulnerable reflection. Interested men can go to <https://jpiihealingcenter.org/event/redeemed-fremont-august-2025/> to register.



## DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS!



**TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST** 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, and leave them yearning for more. Retreats usually begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning and conclude Monday afternoon around 4 p.m. \$120.

October 11-13, 2025 @ St. Cecilia's, Hastings  
December 6-8, 2025 @ Lourdes, Nebraska City

February 14-16 @ Wahoo Neumann

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

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

### Schoenstatt Summer Day Camps Ages 5-16:

Girls Camp July 17, Begins at 10 A.M.  
Ends with 6 P.M. Mass followed by dinner.

Boys Camp July 18 10 A.M.–4 P.M.

Enjoy a day of games, fun, and prayer time in the Shrine at our beautiful Cor Mariae Schoenstatt Center.  
340 State Highway 103 Crete, NE

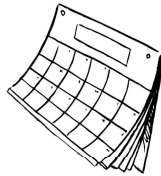
Cost is \$30.00 per child.

To register email [cormariaecrete@gmail.com](mailto:cormariaecrete@gmail.com).



### UPCOMING EVENTS-SAVE THE DATE

- Jul 17 Parade Float Decorating
- Jul 19 Stir Up Parade St. Mary & St. Joseph Float  
Sloppy Joes, Brats, & Hot Dog Feed  
Knights of Columbus BINGO
- Aug 1 First Friday Adoration
- Aug 2 Men In Mission  
First Saturday Devotion
- Aug 14 Altar Society Meeting
- Aug 15 The Assumption of Mary  
Holy Day of Obligation
- Aug 18 First Day of Preschool
- Aug 20 First Night of CCD
- Sep 14 Block Party



### COMMUNITY SUPPORT

#### July Donation Requests

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

**Ashland Food Pantry**– Mayo, Jelly, Canned Pineapple, Canned Mandarin Oranges, Ramen Noodles, Cereal, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash. **The Ashland Pantry is open every Wednesday from 4:30-6:00PM at the American Lutheran Church, 1941 Silver Street, Ashland.**



**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 needed. Simply place cash or check (made out to "AMA") in the 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, usually meets the first Thursday of the month at 7pm. Contact Craig Buescher at 402-469-8390 for more information.

**St. Mary Altar Society** This group includes all women of the parish and currently meets on a quarterly basis. Contact Julie Rosenbaum 402-440-5392 or Marge Buescher 402-984-1761 for more information.

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

**St. Mary & St. Joseph Youth Group** Grades 9-12. Meets Sundays in Ashland. Contact Tanya Keith for more information, 402-658-7322.

**Parish Pro-Life Coordinators** Daniela Brown, 712-490-8073 and Paula Spears, 402-250-0996.

**St. Joseph Volunteers** If you are interested in reading or taking up the offertory at St. Joseph (Sundays, 8:30AM) please contact Teresa Hayes at [thayes55@hotmail.com](mailto:thayes55@hotmail.com)

**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, 402-699-0582. 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 set price 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](mailto:wv30728@windstream.net), to place a prayer request or to join the prayer chain.

**St. Mary Preschool** Classes are half days, 3-day AM M-W-Th, or 4-day PM, M-T-W-Th. 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](mailto:mrs.nate.isaacson@gmail.com) by 2:00pm Wednesday. All announcements will be reviewed by Father.