

## Easter Flower - Memorial Offerings

Donations for the Easter Flowers and Decorations were generously given in memory of the following. Please keep them in your prayers.

Anonymous	Hudson family	Dr. & Mrs. Arturo A.
Anderson family	Kirkpatrick family	Ramirez
Louise Bogatz	Ksiazek family	Schwaller family
Craven family	Joseph & Idella Lorenz	Neal Smith
Charles Danaher	Evelyn Mathers	Joseph Sokolewicz
Russell & Arlene Daugherty	Elodia Medina	Floyd & Clara Sullivan
Doris Fong	Nicholson family	Marilyn Survil
Donald & Marie Hummel	Novotny family	Sharon Wilson
Gerhard Groenjes	Todd Pruitt	St. Joseph Altar Society

### Father Emil Kapaun awarded the Medal of Honor

With a hero's aged comrades in arms looking on, President Obama handed the Medal of Honor to the family of Father Emil Kapaun in a ceremony at the White House on April 11.

"This is an amazing story," Obama told hundreds of onlookers in the East Room of the White House. "Father Kapaun has been called a **shepherd in combat boots**. His fellow soldiers who felt his grace and his mercy called him a saint, a blessing from God.

"Today we bestow another title on him – recipient of our nation's highest military decoration, the Medal of Honor."

Kapaun was honored for his actions Nov. 1 and 2, 1950, at the battle of Unsan, where his 8th Cavalry regiment was overrun by Chinese forces.

According to the medal's citation, "Chaplain Kapaun calmly walked through withering enemy fire in order to provide comfort and medical aid to his comrades and rescue friendly wounded from no-man's land."

Kapaun also stayed behind and let himself be captured by Chinese forces in order to care for wounded American soldiers. He was initially awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his actions, the Army's second-highest military honor. That was upgraded to the Medal of Honor.

"When his commanders ordered an evacuation, he chose to stay," Obama said Thursday.

"When the enemy broke through and the combat was hand to hand, he carried on – **comforting the injured and the dying, offering some measure of peace as they left this Earth.**

"This is the valor we honor today – an American soldier who didn't fire a gun, but who wielded the mightiest weapon of all, a love for his brothers so pure that **he was willing to die so that they might live.**"

The Vatican continues to investigate Fr. Emil Kapaun's case for sainthood.

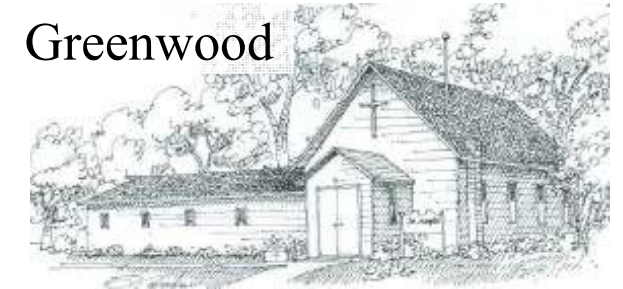
# St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Churches

## Ashland



**1625 Adams Street, Ashland NE 68003**  
**Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday Mass: 8:30 AM**

## Greenwood



**7 Oak Street, Greenwood**  
**Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM**

Pastor: Father Gary Coulter

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View the weekly bulletin & monthly calendar at our **website:**

**home.windstream.net/stmaryashland**

**Confessions** a half hour before Masses

Saturday 4:00-4:50 PM St. Mary

Sunday 8:00-8:20 AM St. Mary

10:00-10:20 AM St. Joseph

Any time by calling the rectory.

**Welcome to new parishioners,**  
 please call the rectory to register or  
 for information on any of our parish  
 activities and organizations.

### Mass Schedule for this week

Sat.	Apr. 20	8:00 PM	Ashland	Poor Souls
Sun.	Apr. 21	8:30 AM	Ashland	For the People
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	+ Jon Rowe
Mon.	Apr. 22	9:00 AM	Ashland	+ Joe & Dolly Groller
Tues.	Apr. 23	9:00 AM	Ashland	von Rentzell intention
Wed.	Apr. 24	9:15 AM	Care Center	Special Intention
Thurs.	Apr. 25	9:00 AM	Ashland	+ Jim Parys
		6:30 PM	Greenwood	
Fri.	Apr. 26	9:00 AM	Ashland	Special Intention
Sat.	Apr. 27	9:00 AM	Ashland	
		5:00 PM	Ashland	+ Ben Buckingham
Sun.	Apr. 28	8:30 AM	Ashland	Rosemary Powell
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	For the People

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April 21, 2013

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Ministries for Next Weekend

Sat. Apr. 27 - 5:00 PM
Servers: Craven, Isaacson
Acolyte: Greg Logsdon
Lector: Mary Logsdon
Sun. Apr. 28 - 8:30 AM
Servers: Stander, Kasuske
Acolyte: Tim Kirkpatrick
Lector: Rod Reisen
Sun. Apr. 28 - 10:30 AM
Lector: Ginny Hummel
Offertory: West

Our Return to the Lord, Apr. 13-14
Table with columns for St. Mary and St. Joseph, listing Adult, Plate, Children contributions and Weekly Budget/Masses.

Stewardship Corner
Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached.
We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

Congratulations
Anniversaries: Barb & Shawn Suhr, Karl & Julie Rosenbaum
Birthdays: Lefty Anderson, Adam Razy, Mary Kennicker, Mariah Dobias, Luke Warren, Darlene Luetkenhaus, Jenn Craven, Michele Aguirre, Mary Frances Reinke, Hannah Keith

Readings and Celebrations this week:

April
22 Mon Acts 11:1-18 / Jn 10:1-10
23 Tue [St George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr] Acts 11:19-26 / Jn 10:22-30
24 Wed [St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr] Acts 12:24-13:5a / Jn 12:44-50
25 Thu Saint Mark, Evangelist 1 Pt 5:5b-14 / Mk 16:15-20
26 Fri Acts 13:26-33 / Jn 14:1-6
27 Sat Acts 13:44-52 / Jn 14:7-14

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 14:21-27 / Rv 21:1-5a / Jn 13:31-35

Calendar

Mon. Apr. 22, 4:00 PM Mobile Food Pantry (Volunteers Needed)
Tues. Apr. 23, 9:30 AM Bible Study
Wed. Apr. 24, 9:15 AM Mass at Care Center 7:00 PM CCD Religious Ed
Thurs. Apr. 25, 6:30 PM Mass at Greenwood
Sun. Apr. 29, 6:00 PM Holy Hour for Marriage, Life and Liberty at St. Joseph Greenwood 7:30 PM St Mary Parish Council Meeting

Parish Announcements

Thank You to Cheryl, Karen, Mark, Tanya, Karen (and their families) and all who volunteered and participated to make the Spaghetti Dinner an overwhelming success.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Mobile Food Pantry, Mon. Apr. 22, 4-5 PM, 3:30 PM setup in the Education Center.

St. Mary Preschool allows 3 to 5-year-old children to explore and experience, search and wonder, and treasure the joy of learning in a loving Christian atmosphere. We offer morning and afternoon sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2013-2014 school year: pick up a registration packet from the school or rectory.

Job Opening: St. Mary Preschool is looking for a Teacher starting in August. Competitive hourly wage based on experience. Contact stmaryashland@windstream.net, 944-3554.

St Mary Altar Society is having a Baby Shower for Birthright through May 12. Items may be left in the church basement, including: small laundry baskets, diapers, wipes, blankets and sleepers.

Plan ahead: Vacation Bible School, Totus Tuus ("Totally Yours") will be June 9-14, 2013.

Missing your favorite Pan or Bowl?? Please check the church kitchen for your cookware and THANK YOU for cooking for our church events.

High School Seniors interested in applying for the Altar Society Scholarship can pick up an application at the back of St. Mary. Deadline for accepting applications is Monday, April 29th. The recipient will be announced at the Graduation Breakfast on Sunday, May 5th.

St. Mary is looking for large Storage Bins with or without lids to store the various church hall decorations we use throughout the year. If anyone has storage bins you are willing to donate, please leave in the church basement.

Diocesan Announcements

Upcoming Retreats for Women at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: April 26-28 with Johnnette Benkovic, May 10-11 with Fr. Scholl. See www.goodcounselretreat.com.

Pilgrimage to Czech Republic and Poland, Sept. 1-13 in the footsteps of Blessed Pope John Paul II and St. Faustina. Prague, Krakow, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wadowice and much more. Optional trip to Warsaw and Vilnius in Lithuania. Informational meeting with Fr. Connor and Fr. Matthew Eickhoff: Sunday, April 21 7 PM at North American Martyrs, Lincoln. Estimated cost, all inclusive: \$3,250.

Catholics Come Home is a program for Catholics of all ages who are no longer practicing the faith. It makes no difference whether they left due to lack of interest, or for a more definitive reason. Including divorce, past hurts, issues, relationships, ; or if people simply stopped going to Mass. We just want to welcome them back. Program provides people a chance to be heard with a priest and supportive team present. Small group interaction in a safe, confidential environment and there is no commitment; come to any or the sessions Sundays 2:00-4:30 p.m., April 21 or 28 at: Blessed Sacrament School, 1725 Lake St in Lincoln. For more info: Father Hashke 474-4249, Ann 474-2217 or Jill 435-6158 or www.blessedsacramentlincoln.com

Men of Faith, an evening with Steve Bollman (founder of That Man is You!) and Bishop James Conley. Thurs. Apr. 25: 4:30 PM Confessions, 6 PM Speaker, 7 PM Mass, 7:45 PM Dinner, Speaker, Q&A. Pre-registration required, \$30, online at: www.dicksmithsolutions.com/

Please pray for our Religious Sisters

Sr. Mary Grace, St. Peter Lincoln, Novice
Postulants: Marie D'Amico (Vermont), Stephanie Eller (David City) and Kathleen Fildner (Kearney); School Sisters of Christ the King