

Bishop's Charity and Stewardship Appeal 2013

The Charity and Stewardship Appeal (DDP) is the Diocesan annual appeal which supports numerous ministries in the Lincoln Diocese, thus having a broad influence on the Church and effecting countless people in just about every area of life in the Church in southern Nebraska. In addition, every parish receives funds back when it takes up its portion of the annual goal, and all funds in excess of the parish goal go directly back to the parish. The benefits include:

Education

Audio Visual Library - Media materials for schools and catechetical programs.

Office of Religious Education - Support for religious educators.

Family Life / Natural Family Planning - Supports youth and family activities / offers training and support for NFP, a moral, effective, healthy method of family planning.

Newman Center - Provides a Catholic environment for over 3,000 college students.

Catholic Schools - Parishes with Catholic Schools receive an additional rebate.

Pastoral Services and Apostolates

St. Gianna's Homes - A safe place for women and children escaping domestic violence or facing an unplanned pregnancy.

Catholic Social Services - Counseling, relief and many other assistance programs.

Pro-Life - Office and programs for the defense of life.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House - Provides for retreats near Waverly.

Retired Teaching Sisters - Each Religious Order of teaching sisters receives support.

Office of Rural Life - Supports the activities of the Diocesan Rural Life Conference.

Spanish Speaking Apostolate - A growing work among Spanish speaking Catholics.

Catholic Evangelization Program - Evangelization efforts in the Diocese.

Diocesan Home Mission - Apostolates in the home missions of the Diocese.

Diocesan Services

Seminary Maintenance - Upkeep and needs of St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

Revolving Fund - For parishes to borrow funds at low interest.

Lay Employees Retirement Plan - past service benefits.

Administrative Expenses - Operated "in house" to keep expenses low, allowing your dollar to be used for the good and necessary works of the Diocese and Parishes.

Our Parishes

Returns to Parishes - Every parish receives back ALL funds collected by that parish in excess of the parish's established goal.

Thank You for your Generosity

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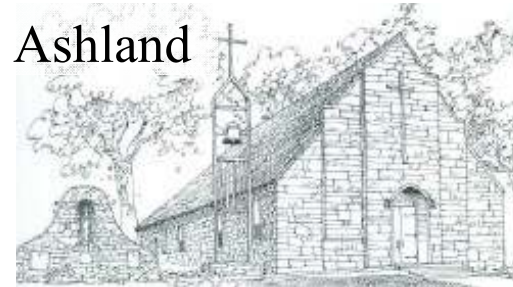
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St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Churches

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

Rectory & Fax: 402-944-3554, Preschool & Hall: 402-944-7509

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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

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| Sat. | May 4 | 8:00 PM | Ashland | + Gerhard Groenjes |
| Sun. | May 5 | 8:30 AM | Ashland | For the People |
| | | 10:30 AM | Greenwood | Charlotte Egger |
| Mon. | May 6 | 9:00 AM | Ashland | + Daniel Ottis |
| Tues. | May 7 | 9:00 AM | Ashland | + Elfrieda Oblak |
| Wed. | May 8 | 9:15 AM | Care Center | + |
| | | 7:30 PM | Ashland | + Pat Estey [Ascension Holy Day] |
| Thurs. | May 9 | 7:00 AM | Ashland | |
| | | 12:00 Noon | Ashland | For the People |
| | | 7:00 PM | Greenwood | Rosemary Powell |
| Fri. | May 10 | 9:00 AM | Ashland | von Rentzell intention |
| Sat. | May 11 | 9:00 AM | Ashland | |
| | | 5:00 PM | Ashland | + Elodia Medina |
| Sun. | May 12 | 8:30 AM | Ashland | Poor Souls |
| | | 10:30 AM | Greenwood | For the People |

May 5, 2013

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Ministries for Next Weekend

Sat. May 11 - 5:00 PM
Servers: Craven, Isaacson
Acolyte: Ricardo Chairez
Lector: Anthony Weaver
Sun. May 12 - 8:30 AM
Servers: Adams, Stander
Acolyte: Greg Logsdon
Lector: Mary Logsdon
Sun. May 12 - 10:30 AM
Lector: Leah Hruska
Offertory: Werner

Our Return to the Lord, Apr. 27-28

Table with 3 columns: Category, St. Mary, St. Joseph. Rows include Adult, Plate, Children, Weekly Budget, Masses, and a thank you note.

Readings and Celebrations this week:

May
6 Mon Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26—16:4a
7 Tue Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11
8 Wed Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 / Jn 16:12-15
9 Thurs
The Ascension of the Lord [Holyday of Obligation]
Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Lk 24:46-53
10 Fri [Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest]
Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23
11 Sat Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Acts 7:55-60 / Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 /
Jn 17:20-26

Stewardship Corner
Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem.
'But,' the bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us, 'that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now.'

Congratulations
Anniversaries: Ally & Brian Miller
Rose & Walt Del Vecchio
Birthdays: Joe Warner, Mary Patterson, Halle Starns, Shannon Dobias, Joe Crnkovich, Ally Miller, Aidan Washburn, Brennen Powers, Mel Horton, Daniel McElroy, Carita Egger, Trevor Warren

Calendar
Sun. May 5, 8:30 Mass, Children's Choir, May Crowning and Honors Breakfast
Tues. May 7, 9:30 AM Bible Study
Wed. May 8, 7:00 PM CCD Religious Ed
7:30 PM Ascension Holy Day Mass
Thurs. May 9, Ascension Holy Day Masses
7:00 AM and Noon in Ashland
7:00 PM in Greenwood
7:00 PM Altar Society Meeting at Ashland
Sign-up to lead the rosary before Mass in May

Parish Announcements

Welcomes and Goodbyes: Bishop Conley has transferred Fr. Coulter to become the director of Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly, effective June 17. Be sure to give a warm welcome to Fr. Thomas Au.

All are invited to a Breakfast today Sunday after 8:30 AM Mass, at which we will honor the First Communicants and Senior Graduates.

Ascension Thursday is May 9, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are: Wed. 7:30 PM at Ashland (with CCD at 7 PM); Thurs. 7:00 AM and 12:00 Noon at Ashland; 7:00 PM at Greenwood

Mark your calendars for Totus Tuus to be held June 9-14 at St. Mary: a Catholic youth program facilitated by college students and seminarians, dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through teaching, evangelization, prayer, Eucharist, activities and fun. Programs from age 4 through High School. To register in advance contact Tanya Keith, 402-944-2167, bghkeith@hotmail.com. Volunteers are also need to assist with preschool, provide cookies, lunches and dinners for the team members.

The 2013 Charity and Stewardship Appeal has begun (see back of bulletin), please stop and complete a pledge card. To date, St. Mary: 14 pledges, \$3,095; St. Joseph: 4 pledges, \$700.

St. Mary Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2013-2014 school year: pick up a packet from the school or rectory.

Flower Power! Please join us on Thurs. May 9, 7 PM for the Altar Society meeting: everyone can bring seeds and plants to share and exchange. Place your seeds in labeled envelopes to help the new gardener know what flowers they will be planting. Hope to see you there!

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

Plan ahead: Youth Group Rummage Sale will be June 6-8 (donations accepted in Church basement in May). The Knights of Columbus will be selling Sausages/Brats May 18-19.

Diocesan Announcements

Prayer Marathon: Bishop Conley is running 26.2 miles in the Lincoln Marathon for vocations and asks Catholics to pray at least 26.2 minutes for vocations as he runs today Sunday, May 5. You can pledge your prayer support at www.spiritcatholicradio.com.

Upcoming Retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: Mother's Retreat May 10-11 with Fr. Scholl. See more info at www.goodcounselretreat.com.

Religious Awards for Girls! Leaders of Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, or 4-H: workbooks are available for your girls to earn a religious award. Inquire at the Family Life Office, 402-488-2040 or www.dioceseoflincoln.org.

Pilgrimage to Czech Republic and Poland, Sept. 1-13. In the footsteps of Blessed Pope John Paul II and St. Faustina. An informational meeting will be held Mon. May 13, 7:00 PM with Fr. Connor at North American Martyrs Church, Lincoln. Cost: \$3,250. Registration and \$1,250 deposit is due May 15. See: www.namartyrs.org.

Summer Camps 2013

- See www.dioceseoflincoln.org or call 488-2040
Leadership Camp: for boys entering grades 6-9, July 14-20 or July 21-27
SKY Camps: for all student entering grades 6-9, nine 3-day camps in May and June.
Marian Camp: for girls entering grades 6-9, June 27-30th, contact: 402-786-2750.

Please pray for Religious Vocations

Sr. Mary Immaculata (Gresham, NE), and Sr. Mary Jacinta (Blue Springs, MO) in First Vows with the School Sisters of Christ the King.