

Pope John Paul II / Benedict XVI

*Pope John Paul II the Great
 Pope Benedict XVI the humble sage
 Rock of Peter / pro claimer Paul
 Guardian of the faith and truth of all
 John Paul the transcendent one
 Benedict the enlightened one
 John Paul the dignity of man
 Benedict the magnifier of the word*

*John Paul the crucified one
 Benedict the prophetic one
 Light for the world
 Salt of the earth
 John Paul the philosopher of man
 Benedict the theologian for the ages*

*John Paul forgiveness and peace for all
 Benedict Christian unity, father of all
 John Paul the wall came tumbling down
 Benedict connecting the dry bones*

*John Paul vibrant with life
 Benedict the teacher of the way
 John Paul the exalted
 Benedict the profound*

*John Paul II... Benedict XVI
 Popes of the Eucharist... stalwart Gibraltar's*

*Twin gifts of God for the Church, the World
 and for you
 Protector of Truth and the Faith
 Beloved sons of Mary...*

*Successors of Peter
 Beacons of Light
 Followers of Christ's Way.*

*by
 Peter Paul Di Cresce*

This poem comes from a book (of Eucharistic reflections) being written called: "Eucharist: Miracle of All Miracles... Love of All Loves" by Peter Paul Di Cresce

Which half are you in?

About 50% of Americans have no will. And of those that do, about 50-70% have outdated wills. Without a will, the State of Nebraska will "make" one for you, and you and your family probably won't like what it says - as unfortunately members of our own parish have experienced.

Have you made your will? Is it updated?

Now may be a great time to sign a new or updated will. The Catholic Planned Giving Office can provide you with a Will and Trust Planning Guide to help you protect your estate and family. Contact Les Mach at 402-443-6180 or les-mach@cdolinc.net to order a Guide.

For a great introduction to wills and estate planning, view the "Wills Guide" video on the www.legacycfdl.org website.

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Ashland



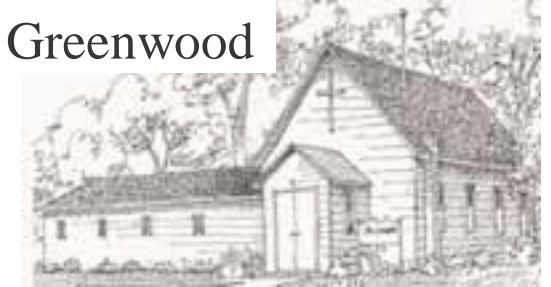
1625 Adams Street, Ashland NE 68003
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass: 8:30 AM

Pastor: Father Gary Coulter

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

CCD & Youth Group each Wed. 7:15 PM

Greenwood



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

Rectory & Fax: 944-3554, CCD/Hall: 944-7509
 Cell: 202-3782, stmaryashland@alltel.net

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.

Mass Schedule for this week				
Sat.	May 10	5:00 PM	Ashland	Special Intention - BN
Sun.	May 11	8:30 AM	Ashland	+ Fr. Zygmund Rydz
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	For the People
Mon.	May 12	6:30 PM	Ashland	WDCCW Meeting
Tues. May 13 - Thurs. May 15			No Daily Mass	
Fri.	May 16	9:00 AM	Ashland	+ Gerhard Groenjes
Sat.	May 17	9:00 AM	Ashland	+ Tom Lame
		5:00 PM	Ashland	Joe Lish
Sun.	May 18	8:30 AM	Ashland	Poor Souls - AH
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	For the People

May 11, 2008

Ministries for next weekend

Sat. May 17 - 5:00 PM
 Servers: Survil, McGinley
 Acolyte: Todd Survil
 Lector: Donna Nicholson

Sun. May 18 - 8:30 AM
 Servers: Kresak, Stilles
 Acolyte: Ken Broz
 Lector: Karen Stille

Sun. May 18 - 10:30 AM
 Lector: Kevin Hofferber
 Offertory: Sundermeier

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>St. Joseph</u>
Adult:	\$ 1,792.00	\$ 647.00
Plate:	\$ 113.83	\$ 26.07
Children:	\$ 3.00	
Holy Day:	\$ 307.00	\$ 72.72
Masses:	\$ 45.00	

Please pray for this week's Seminarian:
 Benjamin Tuma, from North American Martyrs,
 Lincoln. College 1 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

Readings and Celebrations this week:

12 Mon Jas 1:1-11 / Mk 8:11-13
 [Sts Nereus and Saint Achilleus, martyrs;
 Saint Pancras, martyr]

13 Tue Jas 1:12-18 / Mk 8:14-21
 [Our Lady of Fatima]

14 Wed Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 / Jn 15:9-17
 Saint Matthias, apostle

15 Thu Jas 2:1-9 / Mk 8:27-33
 [Saint Isidore]

16 Fri Jas 2:14-24, 26 / Mk 8:34-9:1

17 Sat Jas 3:1-10 / Mk 9:2-13
 [BVM]

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

Pentecost Sunday

Stewardship Thought

Pentecost

The pouring out of the Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus at Pentecost marks the beginning of the Church.

They experienced a sudden burst of energy and joy; the work of the Holy Spirit whom Jesus sent to continue his own work.

The disciples were strengthened in their faith that the Risen Christ would come again. In the meantime, the message about Him had to be proclaimed.

The Holy Spirit is within each of us in a profoundly unique and robust way, engaging us, encouraging us.

As stewards of this magnificent gift, how are we responding? How are we proclaiming the Risen Christ?

Congratulations

Anniversaries:
 Tom & Shari Styskal 5/15

Birthdays:
 Ben Brush 5/14
 Ryan Kasuske 5/14
 Jessica Weismann 5/16
 Dawn Cerveny 5/17
 Braxton Lindhorst 5/17

Calendar for This Week

Happy Mother Day

Mon. May 12, 6:30 PM Mass at Ashland,
 7:00 PM WDCW Meeting

Tues.-Thurs. May 13-15, No Daily Mass

Wed. May 14, 7:00 PM Final CCD Classes

Parish Announcements

St Mary Ashland will host the **Spring WDCW Meeting** for the Wahoo Deanery Women on Mon. May 12, 6:30 PM Mass, 7:00 PM Meeting, Fr. Kubat will speak. I hope many women will attend from our parishes. Please bring desserts and bake goods for a bake sale. Also food will be collected for the food pantry.

Plan ahead: **VBS Summer School** is June 9-13, mornings at St Mary Ashland. We are still in need of teachers and helpers. Please Contact Cheryl Reisen at 944-7692.

Thank you to all who donated to the Altar Society's April Baby Shower: 110 items were taken to Birthright to help expectant mothers!

In May, the Altar Society will collect **Household and Kitchen Items** for Catholic Social Services and refugee families, such as pots, pans, silverware, towels, pillows, sheets, etc., but no decorative items. Please leave items in the St. Mary basement.

The **CCD** year officially ends with our final class this Wed. May 14. Thank you to all who have helped and regularly attended, a special thanks to all our CCD Teachers.

Volunteers needed to assist with **Bingo** at the **Ashland Care Center** on Fri. May 23, 2:00 PM. Please call Rita at 944-3409.

A blessed Thank You to everyone who gave a gift last weekend to the **Charity and Stewardship Appeal**, DDP. The support and generosity of each and every person is important. For those who have not made a pledge, please join us in supporting the vital programs and services throughout the Diocese of Lincoln.

Final week: Ignatius books and DVDs are available for purchase and proceeds will benefit **World Youth Day** trip. Danny McGinley will also do yard work, babysitting, etc. to raise money for WYD. Call Danny at 944-7526.

Community Announcements

Congratulations to all our **High School Seniors** who are graduating this year. See Father Coulter if you haven't received your gift Bible.

Diocesan Announcements

Healing Mass at Blessed John XXIII Center on Sun. June 1: 3 PM Chaplet, 3:30 PM Sunday Mass. Come pray for spiritual, emotional, and physical healing for yourself and loved ones.

Ladies: **Grace Filled Moments** study group will be offered at Blessed John XXIII Center on Wednesdays, June 4- July 30, 6:30-8 PM. Contact Terri at 328-0933 or dvontz@neb.rr.com

Creighton Model **Natural Family Planning** Introductory Sessions, Mon. May 19, Thurs. May 29, 7 PM. Call 488-2040 for registration.

Thursday Night Forum for Adult Catholics on Thurs. May 22, 8:00 PM at Omaha Gloria Deo, 13065 W Center Rd. Fr. Paul Hoelsing will speak on "Love in a Confused Age".

Diocesan Canoe Trip for current High School students. Aug. 3-5 or Aug. 5-7. Canoe the Niobrara river for three days, for only \$60. Registration forms and video at the rectory.

Charity & Stewardship Appeal to date

<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>St. Joseph</u>
Pledged: \$4,200	Pledged: \$1,455
# Pledges: 31	# Pledges: 12
Goal: \$7,699	Goal: \$2,011

We are well over half-way towards our goals - Thank You. Yet less than a quarter of our families have participated - every gift is important, and we invited everyone to participate.

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