

Novena for Faithful Citizenship

Immaculate Heart of Mary,
 help us to conquer the menace of evil,
 which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today,
 and whose immeasurable effects
 already weigh down upon our modern world
 and seem to block the paths toward the future.

From famine and war, deliver us.
 From nuclear war, from incalculable self-destruction, from every kind of war, deliver us.
 From sins against human life from its very beginning, deliver us.
 From hatred and from the demeaning of the dignity of the children of God, deliver us.
 From every kind of injustice in the life of society, both national and international, deliver us.
 From readiness to trample on the commandments of God, deliver us.
 From attempts to stifle in human hearts the very truth of God, deliver us.
 From the loss of awareness of good and evil, deliver us.
 From sins against the Holy Spirit, deliver us.

Accept, O Mother of Christ,
 this cry laden with the sufferings of all individual human beings,
 laden with the sufferings of whole societies.
 Help us with the power of the Holy Spirit conquer all sin:
 individual sin and the "sin of the world,"
 sin in all its manifestations.
 Let there be revealed once more in the history of the world
 the infinite saving power of the redemption:
 the power of merciful love.
 May it put a stop to evil.
 May it transform consciences.
 May your Immaculate Heart reveal for all the light of hope.

Amen.



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

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

Pastor: Father Gary Coulter

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

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

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.

CCD & Youth Group each Wed. 7:00 PM

Mass Schedule for this week				
Sat.	Sept. 20	5:00 PM	Ashland	+ Joseph Kritenbrink
Sun.	Sept. 21	8:30 AM	Ashland	Jim Cobb
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	For the People
Mon.	Sept. 22	9:00 AM	Ashland	Special Intention
Tues.	Sept. 23		No morning Mass	
		6:30 PM	Ashland	Beth Dingsu
Wed.	Sept. 24	9:15 AM	Care Center	+ Jerry Proctor
Thurs.	Sept. 25	9:00 AM	Ashland	+ Ida Kritenbrink
		6:30 PM	Greenwood	Special Intention
Fri.	Sept. 26	9:00 AM	Ashland	George & Sylvia Wemhoff
Sat.	Sept. 27	9:00 AM	Ashland	Priest's Intention
		5:00 PM	Ashland	Jim Fong
Sun.	Sept. 28	8:30 AM	Ashland	For the People
		10:30 AM	Greenwood	Poor Souls

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Ministries for next weekend

Sat. Sept. 27 - 5:00 PM
 Servers: Campbell, Novotny
 Acolyte: Dave Romans
 Lector: Mary Logsdon

Sun. Sept. 28 - 8:30 AM
 Servers: Kasuske, Pease
 Acolyte: Craig Pease
 Lector: Donna Nicholson

Sun. Sept. 28 - 10:30 AM
 Lector: Susan Weismann
 Offertory: Schuelke-Harms

Our Return to the Lord, Sept. 13-14

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>St. Joseph</u>
Adult:	\$ 1,302.00	\$ 262.00
Plate:	\$ 196.00	\$ 30.00
Children:	\$ 8.00	\$ 1.00
Vocations:	\$ 325.00	\$ 150.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 1,587.49	\$ 390.59

Please be generous to the Bishop's Lay Committee for **Vocations Collection** for our Seminarians.

Readings and Celebrations this week:

September

22 Mon Prv 3:27-34 / Lk 8:16-18

23 Tue Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 / Lk 8:19-21
 Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, priest

24 Wed Prv 30:5-9 / Lk 9:1-6

25 Thu Eccl 1:2-11 / Lk 9:7-9

26 Fri Eccl 3:1-11 / Lk 9:18-22
 [Saint Cosmas and Saint Damian, martyrs]

27 Sat Eccl 11:9-12:8 / Lk 9:43b-45
 Saint Vincent de Paul, priest

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez 18:25-28 / Phil 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Thought

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In today's Gospel, the vineyard owner says, "I am free to do as I please with my money, am I not?"

We are likewise free. Is a generous return to the Lord in thanksgiving for His many blessings among the choices we have made? See Matthew 20:15

Congratulations

Anniversaries: Ray & Chris Herzog 9/23
 Jon & Mary Sundermeier 9/26

Birthdays: Austin Alley 9/21
 Jeanette Bacon 9/21
 Laura Neneman 9/21
 Becky Pfeiffer 9/21
 Jose Aguirre 9/22
 John Starns 9/22
 Todd Survil 9/22
 Sally Sohl 9/23
 Tim Washburn 9/23
 Nathan Isaacson 9/24
 Joyce Kritenbrink 9/24
 Theresa Reim 9/24
 Dennis Holbrook 9/26
 Greg Logsdon 9/26
 Jeanemarie Hudson 9/27

Calendar for This Week

Tues. Sept. 23, No morning Mass
 6:30 PM Mass at St Mary
 7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting

Wed. Sept. 24, 9:15 AM Mass at Care Center
 7:00 PM CCD and Youth Group

Thurs. Sept. 25, 6:30 PM Mass at Greenwood

Parish Announcements

Please **Keep in your Prayers**: Ed Sobetski, father of Ruth Ploof, deceased Sept. 11; Sally Sohl, St Mary parishioner, deceased Sept. 16.

It's not too late to join our **Adult Education Class** (RCIA) on Sunday evenings, 7:30 PM at the St Mary Rectory. Contact Fr. Coulter.

A reminder that Grades 5-7 of CCD classes will be prepared to receive **Confirmation** this year. Any students who want to be Confirmed need to begin attending by this Wednesday.

In the next few weeks, you will hear about the plans of **Catholic Social Services** and the good work they are doing through its first ever capital campaign to expand its programs and services. Once you hear and see the information, I hope you will agree this is something we should all support.

Do you have any quilts, wall hangings or even baby quilts? The Altar Society would like to display them at the **Fall Festival / Quilt Show** on Sat. Oct. 25. Contact Rita Smits (944-2084) or Susan Thomas (944-7852).

Community Announcements

Blood Drive at VFW this Wed. Sept. 24, 12-6 PM. Teresa, 944-7035.

Cancer Support Group meets the 4th Wednesday each month, 6:30 PM at Bredeaux Pizza. Next meeting is Sept. 24th, Connie Williams will entertain with her Harp Playing. For info contact Cindy, 944-3400.

Diocesan Announcements

St. Michael, **Cheney Fall Festival** on Sunday, Sept. 21, 1-6 PM. Food, music, games and fun for all.

St. John, **Weston Chicken & Ham Dinner** on Sun. Sept. 21, 11-2:30 PM.

Catholic Coffee House, adult faith formation on Sun. Sept. 21, 6:30-8 PM at Bl John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. Fr. Cyza will give an "Introduction to St. Paul". Free, no registration, dessert and coffee.

The Bishops' annual **Pro-Life Conference** is Oct. 10-11, featuring Dr. Janet Smith. Call 477-7517 for info, and registration forms are on the St Mary bulletin board. Simultaneous conference for High School and College students on Sat. Oct. 11; at Pius X High School, Lincoln.

A **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Prayer Vigil will be held at the Lincoln Planned Parenthood from Sept. 24 to Nov. 2nd in preparation for the upcoming elections. Join in prayer 7 days a week from 6 AM to 10 PM. Go to 40daysforlife.com or call Pam at 489-7968 for more details.

On the back of the bulletin is the **Novena for Faithful Citizenship**, a prayer suggested by the U.S. Bishops to be prayed daily until the election.

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64	5.6%	74	6.5%	84	8.6%
65	5.6%	75	6.6%	85	8.9%
66	5.7%	76	6.7%	86	9.2%
67	5.7%	77	6.9%	87	9.5%
68	5.6%	78	7.0%	88	9.8%
69	5.9%	79	7.2%	89	10.1%

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