

St. Isidore

Catholic Church

3921 20th St. Columbus, NE 68601

Pastor.....Rev. Joseph A. Miksch

Deacons.....Andy Anderson,
Kelly Schrant, Lawrence Throener,
Steve Zach, David Probst

Rectory Office 402-564-8993
Fax... 402-564-8955
E-Mail: isidore@colcath.org
Website: saintisidorechurch.com
Facebook: fb.me/saintisidore

Church Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
Closed Noon-1:00 p.m.
Friday 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Business Manager Office Hours:
Monday-Wednesday 8:00-4:30 p.m.
Closed Noon-1:00 p.m.

Mass *Weekdays*:
Monday-Saturday 8:10 a.m.

Mass *Weekends*:
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Mass *Viewing*:
NCN channel 98
Allo channel 180
Live Stream NCN on our website
YouTube channel on our website
NewschannelNebraska.com

Confessions:
Friday 6:30-8:00 a.m.
Saturday 3:00-4:15 p.m. &
after Mass until 6:00 p.m.



33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.” - Lk 21:13-15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

Bulletin Deadlines

Please email kwright@colcath.org with all bulletin submission requests and deadline questions. Thank you!



St. Isidore Parish Directory

Parish Office Staff 402-564-8993
isidore@colcath.org

Parish Secretary.....Kathy Wright
kwright@colcath.org
Business Manager.....Gina Blaser
gblaser@colcath.org

P.R.E. Director....
Mary Throener.....402-649-0341

Music Ministry Director /Virginia Semerad
vmserad@yahoo.com 402-615-0471

Grade School.....402-564-2604

Principal.....Amy Evans
Secretary.....Andrea Kuhl
Custodian.....Jerry Svehla

St. Isidore Preschool/Childcare Center
402-563-2305

Pre-School Director.....Carmen Podolak
Daycare Director.....Cassie Patzel

Scotus High School.....402-564-7165
Principal.....Brady Vancura

St. Isidore Ministry Office
Youth Ministry....Sarah Doerneman
columbuscym@gmail.com

Evangelization.....Sarah Doerneman
sdoerneman@colcath.org

Ministries
Shut-in Ministry....Kathy Wright
402-564-8993

Prayer Line.....Suzanne Pillen
402-276-1124 skpillen@yahoo.com

Quilting Ladies....
Iola Werts 402-606-4446
Fay Keller 402-564-8056

Gift Shop.....Janice Jochum 402-649-4691

M A S S intentions

Monday, November 17

8:10am L/D Dennis Welsh Family

Tuesday, November 18

8:10am †Del Rae & Haley Schieffer

Wednesday, November 19

8:10am †Joan Trofholz

Thursday, November 20

8:10am †Duane Backes

Friday, November 21

8:10am †Rita Murray

3:00pm †Victor Brandl

Saturday, November 22

8:10am Norvin Brakenhoff Family

4:30pm Richard & Karma Ritzdorf 69th Anniv.

Sunday, November 23

8:00am L/D Dennis & Jane Podany Family

10:00am St. Isidore & St. Joseph Parishioners

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, November 9, 2025

St. Isidore	\$ 21,371.81
Children's	\$ 165.75
E-Giving	\$ 1,065.00
Maint. & Repairs	\$ 824.00
All Saints	\$ 1,286.00

Weekend Mass Schedule Our Family of Parishes

St. Bonaventure

Sat. 4:30 p.m.

Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., &
1:30 p.m.

St. Anthony

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

Sun. 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

St. Joseph/Platte Center

Sat. 7:30 p.m.

St. Stanislaus/Duncan

Sun. 9:00 a.m.



Baptism Please contact the Rectory

Confession Friday 6:30-8:00 a.m.

Saturday 3:00-4:15 p.m. & after Mass until 6:00 p.m.

Marriage Contact the rectory one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick Anyone who is seriously ill, or about to undergo a major surgery, is encouraged to call the rectory and schedule a time to receive the sacrament. In emergencies call immediately.



Total Project Cost \$ 7.2M

Pledge commitments received \$4,775,833.00

Payments received on pledge commitments \$4,194,593.00

Thank you to everyone who has contributed! If you have not yet contributed, please consider making a donation.



Archdiocese of Omaha

Annual Appeal 2025-2026

	Goal	Gift Total	% of Goal	Participation
St. Isidore	\$ 112,945.22	\$30,231.00	26.77%	87
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	252.00	4.12%	1

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR RECORDS UPDATED!

Have you moved recently or do you no longer have a land line phone, only cell phones? Do you have an email address or has it changed? Please send any changes to isidore@colcath.org or call 402-564-8993.

USHERS NEEDED

If you would like to be an usher, please call Kathy at 402-564-8993 to volunteer. Thank you!

Catholic Charites 2nd collections will be held on the weekend of November 15 & 16.

MINISTERS

Weekend Nov. 22 & 23

Saturday, @ 4:30 p.m.

Greeter: W. & T. Jacobs

Usher: W. Babel, P. Jazwick,

M. Liebig, E. Wemhoff

Servers: C. Gable, G Jantzi,

E. Kassing, L. Matulka

Lector: L. Koliha

EMHC: J. Bulkley, D. Lux, D. Moore,

M. Sonderman, S. Wieser,

J. Zimmerman

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: D. Cheloha, J. Spale

Ushers: B. Jareske, K. & D. Mroczek,

D. Wagner

Servers: D. Jakub, A. Klitz,

A. Layman, E. Schmid

Lector: B. Boesch

EMHC: S. Backes, S. Beiermann,

G. Jochum, T. & K. Loeffelholz,

C. Wozny

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: M. & D. Wessel

Usher: L. Dohmen, G. Groteluschen,

J. Jakub, C. Kucera

Servers: B. Banahan, L. Saenz,

L. Saenz, H. Seda

Lector: B. Hoppe

EMHC: T. Divis, M. Feldhaus,

D. Jablonski, J. Kucera, P. Long,

Not Filled

ADORATION/ST. BONS @ SCOTUS

Open hours are:

Sun. 12-1 a.m.

Sun. 2-3 a.m. & 3-4 a.m. (Need 3rd & 5th)

Mon. 1-2 a.m.

Wed. Midnight-1 a.m.

Thurs. Midnight-1 a.m.

Thurs. 1-2 a.m. (Need 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 5th)

Thurs. 2-3 a.m. (Need 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th)

Thurs. 4-5 a.m. (3rd, 4th & 5th Thurs.)

Fri. 1-2 a.m. (every other week)

Fri. 2-3 a.m. (every other week)

Sat. 8-9 a.m.

Sign up online at [https://](https://adorationpro.org/bonaventure)

adorationpro.org/bonaventure or text

Joan @ 402-910-0958.



**Scrip sold at
the school
and after all
weekend
Masses.**

GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 16, 2025

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 21:5-19

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: **"Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8)**. In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop. — Father John Muir ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Eyes On Your Own Paper

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place."

Looking at these words, I have to wonder. Am I reading the Bible or today's newspaper headline?

It's never easier to despair than when you glance up and take a good look at what's going on in the world: disasters, natural and contrived, wars, resentments, rivalries, and divisions. It is almost too much sometimes, isn't it? The twenty-four-hour news cycle doesn't help. Add social media and it's enough to push anyone into a nervous breakdown.

When you find yourself in this place of despair, remember Paul's admonishment in his letter to the Thessalonians. Work quietly and eat your own food. It's not so different from the old "keep-your-eyes-on-your-own-paper" rule of the classroom. Poking our noses into other people's business, we may think we are getting a shortcut to the right answer, but we're really just getting distracted. When we become too preoccupied with events that we cannot control — whether they are happening in our neighborhood or half-a-world away — we are tempted to leave off the very specific work God has given us in our own lives. We are easily lured into anger, bitterness, and anxiety.

What is the work that God has called you to? Is it your career? Your family? Your community? What is your food — what nourishes you, sustains you, connects you to something real, powerful, and life-giving? This is what you should be concerned with. This is where your thoughts and your efforts should be. Work quietly and eat your own food. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Hear the Herbecks — Father & Daughter in Faith!

Spirit Catholic Radio welcomes this dynamic father-daughter team to **St. Bonaventure, Columbus, on Nov 18** for a night of inspiration and faith.

Peter will speak on "The Hope in Glory" and Rachel on "New Life in the Spirit." Experience their unique blend of wisdom and youthful energy. Tickets: \$10 each or 5 for \$40. Reserve your spot at

<https://spiritcatholicradio.com/herbecks/> Catch their daily programs on Spirit Catholic Radio: Fire on the Earth with Peter, 6:30–6:45 AM CT. Burning Hearts with Rachel, 6:45–7:00 AM CT



November 22 & 23

4:30pm: M. Heavican, M. Semerad, V. Semerad

8:00am: R. Wemhoff, P. Scharff, S. Schefus,
K. Korte, J. Moser

10:00am: D. Hanson, K. Nosal



The St. Bonaventure Ladies of the Lord Thanksgiving Bake Sale is scheduled Wednesday, Nov. 26 from 8-11:30 a.m. in the Parish Center.

NEW—SPECIAL RAFFLE!

A raffle for a homemade dessert for 8 people once a month for a year has been added to this year's sale. Donated by a St. Bon parishioner, this item is priceless! Tickets sold Nov. 25 from 5-6:30 p.m. and during the event from 8-11:30 a.m. on Nov. 26.

COLUMBUS CHURCH COED VOLLEYBALL

Games are played at Scotus starting on Sunday, January 4th to March 22nd. Power, A, B, & C divisions and \$120 a team. If interested please email columbuschurchcoedvball@gmail.com The deadline is December 1st.

QUEST RETREAT: For all Freshmen and Sophomore high school students on November 22 & 23 at Tintern Retreat Center. Cost \$50. Please contact Gene Schumacher at 402-564-0258 for Application details or contact the Scotus office.



Welcome to St. Isidore Catholic Church!

If you would like to contribute to our parish, please scan the QR code here to get started.

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."
Matthew 6:21

For more information on becoming a registered parishioner or for volunteer opportunities, please contact our church office
402-564-8993 or isidore@sti.esu7.org



Offertory Donation



School Lunch

November 17-21

Mon.-Bosco Stick, Tater Tots, Green Beans

Tues.-Spaghetti, Bread Stick, Corn

Wed.-Mandarin Chicken, Rice, Mixed Veggies

Thurs.-Sausage & Gravy Over Biscuit, Carrots

Fri.-Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Bread, Broccoli, White Cake



PRE



PRE (Parish Religious Education)

K-Grade 8 are held on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in St. Isidore School.

No class on Wednesday, November 26 (Thanksgiving break)

Please call or text if a student cannot be at class. If you are interested in joining as a student or in assisting or have any input, please call Mary Throener at 402-649-0341.

Nov. 25-Membership Meeting

Dec. 7-KC Breakfast



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Family of the Month for September:

Matthew & Krystal Dinslage and Matthew

Knight of the Month for September: Rick Hanus

Rosary prayed every Monday at 6pm in church.

Everyone Welcome!

If you would like to join the Knights of Columbus please call the Grand Knight at the number listed below.

45th Annual Columbus Women's Club FESTIVAL OF TREES

Fri., Nov. 21-11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 22 - 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 23 - 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Located at 1C The Sanctuary

south of Hy-Vee

Please use entrance east of

Broken Mug

Admission: \$5.00 in advance,

\$6.00 at the door

Ages 6-12 \$3.00

Ages 5 and under FREE

Purchase tickets from Columbus

Women's Club members, or at

Tooley Drug and Home Care, or

Art Editions Framing & Gallery.



HARVEST DINNER

Immanuel Lutheran is again hosting their annual Harvest Dinner on Sun., Nov. 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center located at 1470 23 Ave. The cost is \$15.00 adult, \$10 children 6-10 yrs., 5 and under free. We would love to have you join us!

God is a friend of silence. The more we engage in silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life. The essential thing is not what we say to God but what God says to us and what he says through us. St. Teresa of Calcutta

FR. JOE'S 85TH

Birthday Celebration

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING FR. JOE'S 85TH BIRTHDAY WITH A POTLUCK DINNER BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

6:00-8:00 PM.

PARISH CENTER

You don't need to RSVP, tableware, coffee, water provided. Please put your name on all dishes, no need to bring serving spoons.

Call Marty with questions at 402-276-1129

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2026

Mass intentions for January through December of 2026 are available in the narthex and rectory entryway. Please note, there is calendar on the back of the form. **It is important to enclose the form in and envelope along with a check.** Instructions are on the form. **Also, please choose at least 1 date in Jan, Feb., Mar. or Apr.** if you are turning your form in early. All Masses need an intention.



The Vocation Ministry Team is asking for your help to support the archdiocese-wide November rosary rally for vocations.

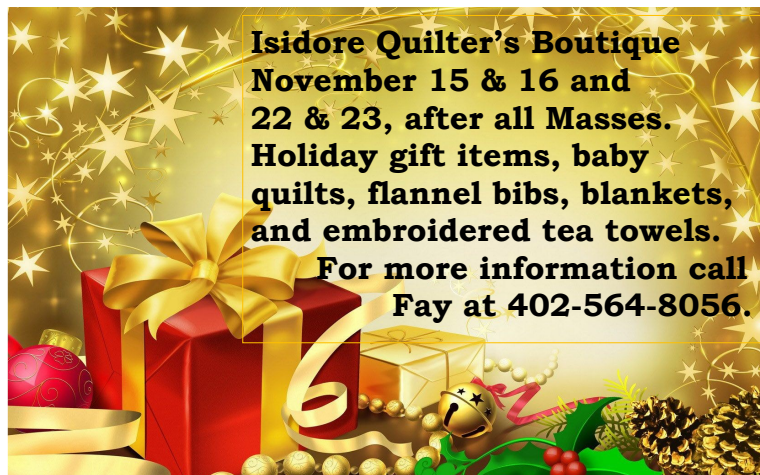
Vocation is how God calls each of us to serve Him. We pray for the grace to listen to His voice and the courage to respond with faith. God may be calling us to serve Him as a single person, a married person, a deacon, a priest, or a religious sister or brother.

We are in a spiritual battle and need His strength and guidance. The goal is to pray 50,000 rosaries in the month of November for an increase in holy vocations and the courage to follow God's call.

How to participate: Please place a pebble for each rosary prayed in the boxes located in the narthex, back entryway of church and at the Scotus chapel. Thank you for your continued prayers!

Isidore Quilter's Boutique
November 15 & 16 and 22 & 23, after all Masses.
Holiday gift items, baby quilts, flannel bibs, blankets, and embroidered tea towels.

For more information call Fay at 402-564-8056.



St. Isidore's Restaurant Day!

POPCORN Fundraiser



SWEET HARVEST POPCORN SHOPPE

ALL DAY!! OPEN FROM 10AM-7PM

20% of purchases goes back to support St. Isidore's Home & School.

STOCK UP FOR THE HOLIDAY!!

A WAY TO LIVE AND ENJOY LIFE MORE FULLY!

December 12-13, 2025

St. Benedict Center, Schuyler

A Way to Live and Enjoy Life More Fully! December 12-13, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Father Joseph A. Miksch. This seminar will help you to attain a positive attitude about yourself, to accept yourself, to feel free to be yourself, and to forget about what others might be thinking about you. You will learn to think less about yourself, to reach out to others, and they in turn will accept you as one who really cares. Come and see how to embark upon the journey to enjoying life more and to becoming fully alive?

Friday, 9:00 a.m. to Saturday, 3:00 p.m.

Register now by calling 402-352-8819.

November 30-December 14, 2025

St. Benedict Center, Schuyler

Christmas Craft Show: a special two-week opportunity to do Christmas shopping at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, November 30-December 14, M-F 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Saturday – Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (last Sun. 5:00 p.m.). A very large variety of crafts and gifts made by area artists will be on sale. Nativity Scenes from around the world will be on display Book and Gift Store will be open.