

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

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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.

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

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

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

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Iola Werts 402-606-4446
Fay Keller 402-564-8056

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



Monday, November 24

8:10am L/D Ray Jarosz Family

Tuesday, November 25

8:10am †Karen Cerny

Wednesday, November 26

8:10am L/D Osborn & Augustin Families

Thursday, November 27

8:10am L/D Joseph & Anita Jarecke Family

Friday, November 28

8:10am L/D Votava & Meysenburg Families

3:00pm L/D Raymond Stock Family

Saturday, November 29

8:10am L/D Helen & Carroll Euteneuer Family

4:30pm St. Isidore & St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, November 30

8:00am L/D Rinkol & Swantek Families

10:00am †Mark Bartholomew

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, November 16, 2025

St. Isidore \$
Children's \$
E-Giving \$
Maint. & Repairs \$
Report at a later date.

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	\$37,471.00	33.18%	112
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	1,802.00	29.49%	3

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!

MINISTERS

Weekend Nov. 29 & 30

Saturday, @ 4:30 p.m.

Greeter: J. & L. Lawrence

Usher: L. Hogelin, P. Jazwick,

M. Liebig, C. Wozny

Servers: M. Dinslage,

L. Hung-Rodriguez, B. Marksmeier,

H. Trouba

Lector: T. Stuthman

EMHC: R. Bircham, K. Dinslage,

M. Gearhart, S. Krings, P. & A. Tuma

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: J. & S. Sueper

Ushers: R. Miksch, T. Pick,

T. Pocwierz, J. Vaughn

Servers: L. Kearney, K. Obrist,

L. Sliva, L. Sokol

Lector: N. Krzycki

EMHC: S. Backes, M. Krzycki,

V. Pocwierz, J. Quattrocchi, A. Sokol,

M. Zach

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: M. & L. Dvorak

Usher: J. Feldhaus, K. & D. Mroczek,

Not Filled

Servers: J. Hoefer, W. Krueger,

D. Lindberg, I. Plummer

Lector: R. Csukker

EMHC: M. Feldhaus, K. & L. Kaslon,

C. Probst, L. Stuchl, E. Trofholz

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/bonaventurene)

adorationpro.org/bonaventurene or text
Joan @ 402-910-0958.



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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 23, 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Luke 23:35-43

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me." That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

— Father John Muir

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

How Would You Rule Your Kingdom?

It would be kind of awesome to be a king or queen! Absolute rule, untold wealth, and people answering your every beck and call are things that wouldn't be half bad. Of course, I would be a benevolent monarch, and I would hope that all my subjects would love me. They could cheer me as I came out of the palace, and I think my popularity ratings in the polls would be through the roof. But if they weren't, that would be fine, too, because I would rule the kingdom. And that means no throwing me out of office. Talk about job security!

As great as that sounds, the King of kings could have had all that as well, but instead, he chose quite a different path. He gave up absolute rule so all his subjects could have the free will to choose to follow him. He gave up untold wealth so he could be treated like a common criminal and receive a death sentence. He gave up having servants at his disposal so he could be the servant of all his subjects himself. Yes, he was the King of kings, but he was nothing like a typical king. As much as I think it would be great to be a king myself, I would rather emulate this King instead.

Who would you rather be like? You could have it all or choose to give away everything. You could choose a path of luxury or a path of trial. You could be respected by many or find yourself in a culture that increasingly finds you objectionable. Who would you rather be like? Do you arrive at an answer quickly, or do you need some time to think about it? The King of kings awaits your reply.

— Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi

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.





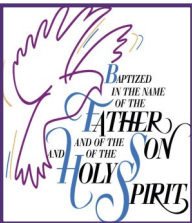
November 29 & 30

4:30pm: M. Moser, J. Moser
8:00am: K. Jarecke, V. Semerad
10:00am: V. Semerad



Please welcome to St. Isidore the following families:

Curtis & Kaylee Hoadley & Alice
Ron & Deb Ita
Lindsey (Ron) Vettel & Olivia
Maria Arriaga & Dianamari
Michael & Patricia Landkamer
Julie Pearsoll



Hadley Mae daughter of
Hon & Therese Chase
Oaklynn Elise Chase daughter of
Hon & Therese Chase
Layken Coco daughter of
Justin & Chantal Vonasek

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.

BAKE SALE: The Scotus Band Bake Sale will be located in the Scotus Cafeteria on Sunday, December 7 from 9am-3pm during the Craft Boutique. We will have lots of holiday goodies to choose from, so please be sure to stop by.



Sunday, December 7, 2025

HELP NEEDED!

Scan here to sign up to volunteer



Scan here to donate food or cash



COLUMBUS VERTICAL VOICES CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 12, 2:00 p.m. at the Columbus High School Performing Arts Center.

Please join us for the Columbus Vertical Voices Christmas concert. It is a fundraiser for the Columbus Rescue Mission and Youth and Family for Christ. Free will offering.

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



When we touch the sick and needy, we touch the suffering body of Christ. **St. Teresa of Calcutta**



School Lunch

November 24-28

Mon.-Ham & Au gratin Potatoes, Peas, Dinner Roll
Tues.-Turkey, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Stuffing, Green Beans, Pumpkin Pie
Wed.-No Lunch-Thanksgiving Break



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
Dec. 8-Christmas Caroling
Dec.-No Membership Meeting



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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.

Grand Knight-Terry Kane 402-750-5455



OUR PARISH'S GIVING TREE

Thank you for picking a star from the giving tree. Here are some reminders when shopping: notice person's age, size and wants, spend around \$50 per gift. Please buy new gifts, as it is a Christmas present. **Return gifts by Monday, Dec. 8. Very important to attach the star to your purchase item so the**

person can be identified. Return all gifts to the church and place them on the bench by the choir room.

If you have questions call Juli Spencer at 402-270-3241.

Thank you for your generosity! Merry Christmas!



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.

Join in a weekend of faith & fellowship for young adults transitioning into adulthood and looking to get back to the basics in their Catholic faith.

GOING DEEPER
IN faith

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

DECEMBER 12-14, 2025

TINTERN RETREAT & RESOURCE CENTER
OAKDALE, NEBRASKA

Scan to Register!

Attendees must be a senior in college to 30 years of age. All meals are provided. \$60 fee requested.

Deadline to register is Dec. 1



BREAD & WINE BLESSED AT 8:10AM MASS THANKSGIVING DAY, THURSDAY, NOV. 27

Please bring the breads and wine you plan to use at your Thanksgiving celebration and place them at the front of the altar before Mass. Parishioners are asked to bring non-perishable food items and paper goods for the Simon House and Columbus Area Food Pantry. Baskets will be provided in the narthex for these items. Also, there will be a collection for St. Vincent de Paul Conference in Columbus, please mark your envelope and check.



O God, Father of all Mercies, Provider of a bountiful Harvest, send Your Graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of you. Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in

them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ. Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

KC Council #12086

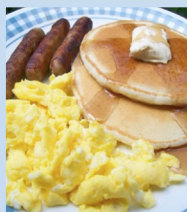
French Toast and Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, December 7

8:00-11:30 a.m.

Includes eggs, sausage, fruit & drink.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!!



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.

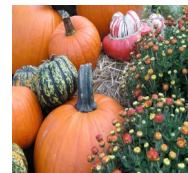
How to participate: Please place a pebble for each rosary prayed in the boxes located in the narthex, back entryway of church and at the Scotus chapel. Thank you for your continued prayers!



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.

Thank you !!!

Keith, Alda and Shawn Karel for their generosity. They donated all the pumpkins & gourds used to decorate the inside and outside of our church!!!



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.

