

ST. ISIDORE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome!

Pastor.....Rev. Joseph Miksch

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

GET IN TOUCH

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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 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Closed Noon-1:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

Monday-Saturday 8:10 a.m.

Weekend Masses

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

CONFESSION

Friday 6:30-8:00 a.m.
Saturday 3:00-4:15 p.m. and after
church until 6:00 p.m.



BULLETIN DEADLINES

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



St. Isidore Parish Directory

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P.R.E. Director

Mary Throener.....402-649-0341

Music Ministry Director - Virginia Semerad

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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.....Matthew Kathol

St. Isidore Ministry Office

Youth Ministry.....Sarah Doerneman

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402-564-8993

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Quilting Ladies.....

Iola Werts 402-606-4446

Fay Keller 402-564-8056

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

MASS
intentions

Monday, December 8

6:30am St. Isidore & St. Joseph Parishioners

8:10am †Richard Alt

Tuesday, December 9

8:10am L/D Ed Tomasiewicz Family

Wednesday, December 10

8:10am †Lugene Korth

Thursday, December 11

8:10am †Steve O'Neill

Friday, December 12

8:10am Dolores Chadek

EM Nursing Home 3:00pm †Duane Liss

Saturday, December 13

8:10am †Alvin Fuchs

4:30pm L/D Howard & Mary Smith Family

Sunday, December 14

8:00am †Donald Mostek

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

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, November 23, 2025

St. Isidore \$ 8,651.38

Children's \$ 239.00

E-Giving \$ 1,038.00

ACH Deposit \$18,783.25

Thanksgiving \$ 418.00

Mait. & Repairs \$ 370.00

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.

SACRAMENTS

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 on 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

\$4,220,413.00

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



Annual Appeal 2025-2026

Archdiocese of Omaha

	Goal	Gift Total	% of Goal	Participation
St. Isidore	\$112,945.22	\$51,359.00	45.47%	189
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	\$3,077.00	50.36%	10

Retirement Fund For Religious 2nd collection
December 13 & 14.

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.

Ministers

Weekend Dec. 13 & 14

Saturday, @4:30 p.m.

Greeter: L. Hogelin, J. Spale

Usher: P. Jazwick, G. Jochum, M. Liebig, E. Wemhoff

Servers: B. Hughes, E. Olberding, K. Wemhoff, C. Wemhoff

Lector: G. Schumacher

EMHC: M. Fehr, J. Heng, D. Jablonski, L. Lange, A. Rickert, C. Schumacher

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: J. & S. Sueper

Usher: D. Cheloha, R. Hanus, C. Kucera, P. Rupprecht

Servers: E. Lentfer, W. Liebig, G. Pflum, E. Schmid

Lector: M. Throener

EMHC: S. Beiermann, A. Gaspers, MK. & D. Hegemann, J. Kucera, C. Lentfer

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: J. & L. Hogue

Usher: M. Divis, L. Dohmen, J. Schure, Not Filled

Servers: N. Cameron, E. Cameron, L. Saenz, L. Saenz

Lector: A. Spenner

EMHC: L. Blacketer, H. Broxterman, M. Doerneman, F. & C. Maguire, Not Filled

Adoration/St. Bon's @ Scotus

Open hours are:

Sun. 12-1 a.m.

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

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)

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://adorationpro.org/bonaventure> or
text Joan @ 402-910-0958.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Matthew 3:1-12

This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating "locusts and wild honey" (Mark 1:6). It's not just a strange historical detail. It's a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we're each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it's time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It's time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That's the honey. Savor it!

John didn't avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we'll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.— Father John Muir

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

My youngest child is going through Confirmation preparation this year. It is always quite a challenge to get through to a teenager about the importance of the gifts and fruits of the Spirit. You can't see and touch these things, but they are more valuable than most tangible gifts we can receive.

Isaiah 11 features the list of the traditional gifts of the Spirit that we speak about in the context of the sacrament: wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are freely given to us to assist us in our daily walk with God. Discipleship and stewardship are hard enough in this world without the help from God's Spirit.

During this Advent season, we think quite a bit about gifts and gift giving. What is the perfect gift for that special someone? What can you give that will have an impact and the person will remember for years to come? Over two thousand years ago, a gift was given to us in a manner that really made a lasting impact. That gift remains with us in a profound way through the sacraments. While we are busy trying to get gifts for others, let us be mindful of the gifts we have already received by the best gift giver the world has ever seen.

—Tracy Earl Welliver @LPi



December 13 & 14

4:30pm: J. & M. Moser

8:00am: C. Przymus, C. Klitz, K. Korte,
S. Schefus, M. Wortman

10:00am: E. & S. Cerny, V. Semerad

CONSECRATION OF THE UNITED STATES TO OUR LORD'S SACRED HEART

BALTIMORE (LifeSiteNews) — The U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) voted overwhelmingly in favor of a measure to consecrate the nation to Our Lord's Sacred Heart next June to commemorate the 250th anniversary of its founding.

This will notably be the first time the United States has been consecrated to Our Lord's Sacred Heart.

Before the consecration, as part of the initiative, dioceses across the country will be encouraged to invite the faithful to participate in various acts of devotion, such as offering 250 works of mercy or dedicating 250 hours to Eucharistic adoration leading up to the consecration. Prayer resources, including a novena leading up to the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, will also be developed by the USCCB.

Indeed, there are an abundance of graces the faithful can gain by consecrating themselves or their households to Our Lord's Sacred Heart. In fact, Our Lord gave St. Margaret Mary Alacoque 12 special promises for the faithful who consecrate themselves and foster a devotion to His Sacred Heart:

- I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
- I will establish peace in their homes.
- I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
- I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
- I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
- Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
- Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
- I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
- I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
- I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

4-December 7, 2025



December 8-12

Mon.—Cheeseburger, Curly Fries, Broccoli

Tues.—Chicken Strips, Mash/Gravy, Mixed Veggies

Wed.—Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup

Thurs.—Tacos, Black Beans, Corn

Fri.—Turkey Sandwich, Chips, Rice Krispie Treat



PRE (Parish Religious Education)

K-Grade 8—Classes on Wednesdays
6:00–7:30 p.m. in St. Isidore School.

Dec. 8 Christmas Caroling

Dec. 8 Officers Mtg.

No Membership Mtg.

Jan. 2026 KC Blood Drive

Knight of the Month for October is Bob Hoppe

Family of the Month for October is

John & Lauren Hogue

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



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

We invite all members of the Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 and prospective members to our next meeting on Monday, December 8 in the St. Bon's Parish Center. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will include our annual Dime-A-Time Cookie Sale. Members are asked to bring 3 dozen cookies.



Congratulations to the Holy Name

Booster Club winners of \$210.00

for the months of:

October—Brandi Vrba

November—Doug Gubbels

December—Annette Hash

Columbus Vertical Voices Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 7, 2:00 p.m. at 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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES 4:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS AIRED ON TV 3:30-5:00 P.M.

& MIDNIGHT MASS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 9:00 A.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS AIRED ON TV 9:00-10:15 A.M.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, PLATTE CENTER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 6:00 P.M.



The St. Isidore Gift Shop will be open at every weekend Mass from now until Christmas. Many items to select from. Great gifts for Christmas!!

Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

St. Isidore

Vigil Sun., Dec. 7 5:30pm

Mon., Dec. 8 6:30 a.m. & 8:10 a.m.

St. Joseph

Mon., Dec. 8 7:00 p.m.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

Candle Lighting Ceremony Night of Remembrance

For all parents who have lost a child...that their light may always shine

Sunday, December 14, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Please arrive no later than 6:45pm St. Isidore Church, 3921 20 St. Columbus

Bring a candle in a container to light for your child that can be placed at the altar. A picture of your child or special remembrance is also welcome. Sibling, grandparent, friends, etc. are welcome to join you for this evening, but please no very young children. On Earth we will light candles to remember...

Please call Heather for questions 402-910-4904



5-December 7, 2025



COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

ST. ISIDORE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16 AT 6:30 P.M.

ST. ANTHONY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17 AT 6:30 P.M.

ST. BONAVENTURE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18 AT 6:30 P.M.

MANDATORY EMHC AND USHER TRAINING FOR 4:00 P.M. AND 6:00 P.M. CHRISTMAS MASSES ON SUN., DECEMBER 14, 11:00 A.M.

It is important to put in your online request or accept for your ministry for the 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Christmas Masses (as well as other Christmas Masses) before the December 14 training. Also important to not have last minute changes or no response. Late changes cause confusion during these very big Masses. Training is very important. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go. Please plan on attending this meeting and take time to get your requests or accepts submitted. We appreciate you and want things to go smoothly.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas cards in the narthex. Please take a moment to stop and support the Knights.



WE NEED YOU HELP!

Masses, especially the 4:30 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. are very full. Please help our ushers by moving to the middle of the pew and allowing them to see what spaces are available so others attending Mass can be seated. Also, a short reminder that at Christmas families should arrive together and NOT SAVE seats in the Church or the Parish Center. It is important to let your non-parishioner families know this as well. Everyone has a family that is also coming. Please keep the Spirit of Christmas in our Holy Space.

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!!

