

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

CONFESION

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



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
 for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter
 every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be
 glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a

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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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402-615-0471 vmsemerad@yahoo.com

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

Scouts High School.....402-564-7165

Principal.....Matthew Kathol

St. Isidore Ministry Office

Youth Ministry.....Sarah Doerneman
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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**

MASS intentions

Monday, February 2

8:10am †Larry Hergott

Tuesday, February 3

8:10am L/D Ralph & Angeline Dohmen Family

Wednesday, February 4

8:10am L/D Meysenburg & Votava Families

Thursday, February 5

8:10am L/D Jim Babel Family

Friday, February 6

8:10am †Eugene Nickolite

EM 3:00pm L/D Jack & Jo Sokol Family

Saturday, February 7

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

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

Sunday, February 8

8:00am †Bob Aerts

10:00am †Lutz & McAlexander Families

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, January 18, 2026

St. Isidore	\$11,193.00
Children's	\$ 203.00
E-Giving	\$ 1,188.00

Sunday, January 25, 2026

St. Isidore	\$ 9,309.00
Children's	\$ 147.00
E-Giving	\$ 880.00
Seminary	\$ 355.00

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 \$4,841,181.00

Payments received on pledge commitments \$4,521,031.00

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	\$ 96,427.94	85.38 %	255
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	\$ 3,737.00	61.16%	17

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 Feb. 7 & 8

Saturday, @ 4:30 p.m.

Greeter: T. & W. Jacobs

Ushers: M. Liebig, P. Padorf, E. Wemhoff,
Not Filled

Servers: H. Bargen, K. Hissong,
L. Hung-Rodriguez, E. Kassing

Lector: D. Jablonski

EMHC: K. Dinslage, S. Head, G. Jochum,
P. Long, T. Stuthman, S. Vancura

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: R. Goc, J. Podany

Usher: J. Donoghue, R. Hanus, B. Jareske,
D. Wagner

Servers: G. Jantzi, K. Schoenfelder,
K. Schoenfelder, E. Schoenfelder

Lector: C. Wozny

EMHC: S. Backes, C. Beyer, J. Gokie,
D. Policky, L. Thalken, M. Zach

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: L. & J. Hogue

Usher: J. Feldhaus, G. Groteluschen,
K. & D. Mroczeck

Servers: B. Banahan, M. Kock, A. Layman,
F. Luchsinger

Lector: T. Kane

EMHC: M. Birkel, M. Doerneman,
L. & K. Kaslon, A. Spenner, 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.

Let me tell you something:

**If you feel the weight of
your sins, do not be afraid!
He is a loving Father; God's
mercy greater than we can
imagine.**

Saint Mother Teresa

GOSPEL MEDITATION

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 5:1-12a

A priest I know was once falsely accused of a terrible crime. The claim was wild and easily disproved, but for a while, it didn't matter. In the atmosphere shaped by the abuse crisis of the early 2000s, the public assumption was guilty until proven innocent. His name was dragged through the mud, and his ministry placed on hold. I had the privilege — and the burden — of walking closely with him during that time.

He was angry. He was confused. He felt abandoned and deeply disoriented. The last thing on his mind was the words of Jesus in today's Gospel: "Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me ... Rejoice and be glad" (Matthew 5:11-12). Rejoice? He felt anything but.

And yet... something holy slowly grew in him. Not overnight, and not without pain. But as the truth came to light and his name was cleared, I watched him become more Christlike — more patient, more compassionate, more detached from human approval.

Maybe you haven't faced something so dramatic. But where do you feel judged? Misrepresented? Overlooked? Maybe someone else got the credit or the promotion. Maybe someone you love isn't getting their due. In those moments, the Cross of Jesus is near. When we feel accused, that's when we ask him for the grace not just to endure, but somehow, mysteriously, to rejoice and be glad.

— Father John Muir ©LPI

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Countercultural Then and Now

Sometimes I wonder what this world will look like when my children get to be my age. Everything seems to be changing so rapidly and much of that change doesn't seem to be for the good. I do think in some ways the Church is experiencing resurgence and a strengthening, but it will have to be in the face of an increasing culture of atheism and selfishness.

Of course, I bet my parents wondered the same thing when I was a child. As much as things change, they remain the same. When Jesus gave his Sermon on the Mount, I would guess some parents there were having the same kind of worries. But Jesus proposed a way of life in the beatitudes that was countercultural then and is countercultural now.

In his book, Life of Christ, Fulton Sheen said this: "The Sermon on the Mount is so much at variance with all that our world holds dear that the world will crucify anyone who tries to live up to its values." Living a stewardship way of life means bringing the beatitudes into our daily lives in a profound way. However, it also means living in a way that others may not understand or they may even turn away from us because of it. But with the reward in the end being the kingdom of heaven, the choice is really a matter of life and death, eternally speaking.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI



February 7 & 8

4:30 p.m. J. Sonderman, D. Pandorf,
S. Schefus, J. Moser
8:00 a.m. K. Jarecke, V. Semerad
10:00 a.m. Reiners Family & Co.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE

THROW CONTESTS

SUNDAY, FEB. 1, 2026

COLUMBUS MIDDLE SCHOOL



**FREE THROW
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Boys & Girls ages 9-14 can participate.
Registration begins at 12:30pm with
competition to start at 1:00 p.m.

This will be the Local Competition
followed by the District Contest with
the Top 3 Finishers staying to shoot
again.

For more information call Kelly Luschen @ 402-910-1095
or Gary Zywiec @ 402-270-3832.



**PARENTS INTERACTING WITH INFANTS
(PIWI) - SPRING ENROLLMENT**

*PLAY GROUP FOR CAREGIVERS AND
THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN!*

February, 19-April 30, Free 9-Week Program.

St. Bonaventure Preschool

Thursdays, 6:15-7:15pm.

Register: email Cheryl at
RIRCOORDINATOR@COLUMBUSUNITEDWAY.COM OR 402-910-2868

VACCINE PRESENTATION

Dr. Ali Khan, Dean of the UNMC College of Public Health and a global health security leader, will present Love Thy Neighbor: The Role of Vaccines in Community Care in the St. Pius X Parish Center, 70th & Blondo Sunday, February 8th, at 11 AM. Light refreshments and coffee will be served at 10:30 AM.

Free and Open to the Public.

Dr. Khan will examine the role of vaccines from the perspective of community care as a safe, ethical, and wise way to live out the command to love our neighbor.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

FINDING GOD IN YOUR DESERT

Sunday, Feb. 15, 2026 10am-3pm, St. Edward Catholic Church, 805 Washington, St. Edward, NE

Prayer & Reflection, with Inspiring Speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Vendors, & Reconciliation

Cost of Retreat is \$10, Lunch included.

Featured Speakers: Rachel Tisthammer, Jacque Brugman, Anne Mohr and Tina Sachau

Call 402-741-0010 to register.



February 2-6

Monday-Chicken Noodle Casserole, Peas

Tuesday-Tacos, Refried Beans, Peas

Wednesday-Pulled Pork/Bun, Baked Beans

Thursday-Chicken Tenders, Potato Wedges, Corn

Friday-Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Carrots



PRE (Parish Religious Education)

Wed., February 4

K-Grade 8-class from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in

St. Isidore School.

Stations of the Cross

Please call or text Mary Throener with questions or if you cannot make it to class. 402-649-0341, stipre@colcath.org

Feb. 1 Local/District Free throw
Contest

Feb. 10 Officer's Mtg.

Feb. 24 Membership Mtg.



Knight of the Month for Nov.-Amos Zelasney

Knight of the Month for Dec.-Keith Albracht

Family of the Month for Nov.-Rod & Kelly Reisdorff

Family of the Month for Dec.- Jennifer Rickert & Fam.

Rosary prayed every Monday at 6pm in church.
Everyone is 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

EXCLUSIVE FILM SCREENING:

TRIUMPH OF THE HEART

FEBRUARY 22, 2025-2:00 P.M.

ST. BONAVENTURE PARISH CENTER

Our Columbus Catholic Parish family is thrilled to host a special screening of Triumph of the Heart-the moving true story of St. Maximilian Kolbe, the Franciscan priest who offered his life in exchange for another prisoner at Auschwitz during World War II. Join us for this unique opportunity to encounter the heroic story of St. Maximilian Kolbe on the big screen! More about the movie at triumphoftheheart.com

The wicked fear the good, because the good are a constant reproach to their consciences. The ungodly like religion in the same way that they like the way that they like lions, either dead or behind bars; they fear religion when it breaks loose and begins to challenge their consciences.

Venerable Fulton Sheen



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MARRIAGE IS A BEAUTIFUL GIFT FROM GOD- LET US CELEBRATE IT TOGETHER IN FELLOWSHIP AND A SHARED MEAL. IN HONOR OF WORLD MARRIAGE DAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 2026, THE KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS, TOGETHER WITH THE TRI-PARISH VOCATION MINISTRY TEAM, WILL HOST A SPECIAL BREAKFAST IN THE ST. ISIDORE PARISH CENTER SERVING FROM 8AM - 11:30AM. ALL ARE INVITED! COUPLES ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT A WEDDING OR ANNIVERSARY PHOTO (WITH NAMES AND WEDDING DATE) TO JEFF GOKIE AT JLGOKIE@GMAIL.COM (PUT "WEDDING PHOTO" IN THE SUBJECT LINE). PHOTOS MAY BE BROUGHT TO THE PARISH OFFICE IF EMAIL IS NOT POSSIBLE.

CELEBRATING THE HEARTS OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

1st Fri., The Sacred Heart of Jesus – Feb. 6
1st Sat., The Immaculate Heart of Mary – Feb. 7
1st. Wed., Chaste Heart of St. Joseph – Feb. 4
 Confessions: 3:00-4:15 p.m. on Saturday and after Mass until 6:00 p.m.
 Masses: 8:10 a.m. Monday-Saturday and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday Evening

1st Saturday of the Month Rosary St. Isidore's after the 8:10am Mass Celebrating God's Plan for Life, Marriage & Family. Asking the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary & the Holy Family. ALL ARE INVITED Please meet in the back pews after 8:10am Mass.

1st SATURDAY OF THE MONTH HOLY HOURS – ALL AT SCOTUS CHAPEL
 6:00 PM – Columbus Parish Family Vocation Ministry – ALL ARE INVITED
 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM – NOCTURNAL ADORATION



Knights of Columbus®

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a legacy and estate planning seminar at St. Isidores Parish Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at 7:30p.m. The guest speaker will be Gene Schumacher. All members of the community are welcome.

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



ST. ISIDORE ELEMENTARY



SHRIMP PEEL 2026

Purchase your tickets now for the 26th Anniversary of St. Isidore's Shrimp Peel!

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH ST. ISIDORE PARISH CENTER
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM MEAL STARTS AT 7PM**

All You Can Eat Shrimp, Soup, Salad & Dessert.
 BYOB - Must be 21+

Tickets can be purchased by scanning code or by visiting the school's front office.



COME ENJOY A NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, FUNDRAISING & FUN!!



**St. Isidore Preschool
Registrations are open for the 2026-2027 school year.
Stop by and pick up a form at the Preschool.
For more questions contact Carmen at 402-563-2305.**

Steubenville Youth Conference 2026

Calling all high schoolers! In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville Mid-America in Springfield, MO on July 10-12, 2026 to be transformed by the love of Christ.

All rising freshmen in high school through rising freshmen in college are invited to attend this retreat with our group! Registration will open January 12th. Deadline to Register is February 2nd!

Learn more at steubystl.com and contact Nate Tenopir at ntenopir@colcath.org OR Sarah Doerneman at columbuscym@gmail.com if you are interested in attending!



P.S. Save the Date! Wednesday, February 25th, 7-8:30pm, we will have a "mini-Steubenville" night for ALL Columbus Catholic families. We are working out all the details, I will be sending that to you soon! We are bringing in Josh Blakesly, a nationally known worship musician.