

# ST. ISIDORE

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Welcome!

#### Pastor.....Rev. Joseph Miksch

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

#### GET IN TOUCH

3921 20th Street  
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Facebook: [fb.me/saintisidore](http://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 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Closed Noon-1:00 p.m.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekday Masses**  
Monday-Saturday 8:10 a.m.

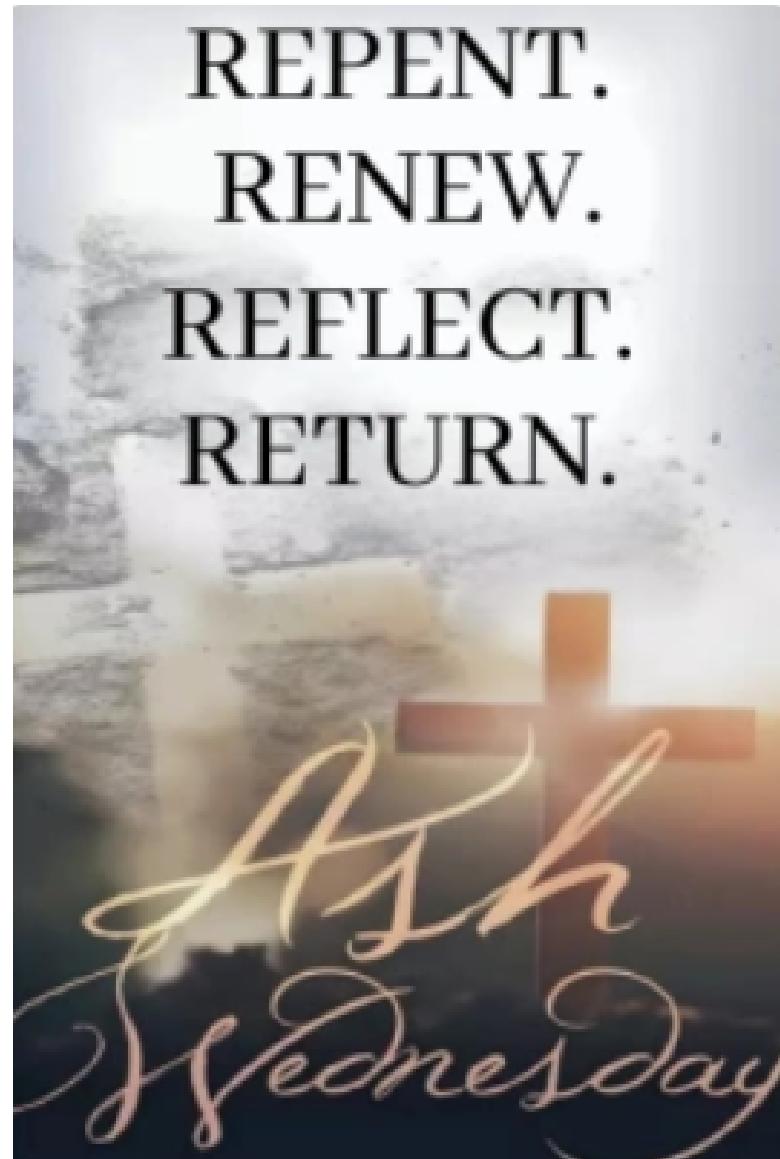
**Weekend Masses**  
Saturday 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

#### MASS VIEWING

NCN channel 98  
Allo channel 180  
Live Stream NCN on our website  
YouTube channel on our website  
[NewschannelNebraska.com](http://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.



#### BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please email [kwright@colcath.org](mailto:kwright@colcath.org) with all your 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

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**402-649-0341** stipre@colcath.org

**Music Ministry Director** -Virginia Semerad  
**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**.....Terry Kathol

**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**

## MASS intentions

**Monday, February 16**

**8:10am** Wozny & Woodhead Families

**Tuesday, February 17**

**8:10am** †Pat Hegemann

**Wednesday, February 18-Ash Wednesday**

**6:30am** †Bernard Codr

**8:10am** †DeWayne Nicolas

**6:30pm** L/D Rinkol & Swantek Families

**Thursday, February 19**

**8:10am** †Bud Chleboun

**Friday, February 20**

**8:10am** †Dale Miksch

**EM 3:00pm** L/D Thompson & Albracht Families

**Saturday, February 21**

**8:10am** †Lugene Korth

**4:30pm** L/D Micek & Egger Families

**Sunday, February 22**

**8:00am** †Jim & Pat Zuerlein

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

## GIFTS OF TREASURE

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

St. Isidore	\$13,580.00
Children's	\$ 92.00
E-Giving	\$ 1,010.00
Maint. & Repairs	\$ 772.00

## 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 \$4,861,271.00

Payments received on pledge commitments \$4,555,915.00

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
<b>St. Isidore</b>	\$112,945.22	\$102,448.88	90.71%	265
<b>St. Joseph</b>	\$6,110.26	\$ 4,737.00	77.53%	20

**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. 21 & 22****Saturday, @4:30 p.m.****Greeter:** L. Hogelin, J. Spale**Ushers:** P. Jazwick, G. Jochum, C. Wozny, Not Filled**Servers:** C. Gable, A. Klitz, O. Konwinski,

B. Marksmeier

**Lector:** K. Heng**EMHC:** R. Bircham, M. Fehr, M. Sonderman,

A. &amp; P. Tuma, S. Wieser

**Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.****Greeter:** R. Goc, J. Podany**Usher:** D. Ferguson, T. Pick, P. Rupprecht, D. Smith**Servers:** G. Pfum, K. Schoenfelder, K. Schoenfelder,

E. Schoenfelder

**Lector:** T. Pillen**EMHC:** S. Backes, T. & K. Loeffelholz, A. Rickert,

T. Stuthman, M. Throener

**Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.****Greeter:** J. & J. Ramos**Usher:** L. Dohmen, J. Feldhaus, G. & J. Grotelushchen**Servers:** A. Evans, E. Kassing, O. Prohaska, N. Urkoski**Lector:** R. Csukker**EMHC:** J. Heng, D. Jablonski, L. Koliha, P. Long,

C. Probst, E. Trofholz

**Ash Wednesday, February 18 6:30 a.m.****Greeter:** M. Kluever, B. McPhillips**Usher:** D. Ferguson, M. Gall, B. McPhillips, B. Zegar**Servers:** PRE Servers**Lector:** G. Schumacher**EMHC:** J. Bulkley, P. Pandorf, C. Schumacher,

E. Wemhoff

**Ash Wednesday, February 18 6:30 p.m.**

Greeter: M. &amp; D. Wessel

Usher: B. Belina, R. Hanus, D. Hegemann, T. Pocwierz

Servers: PRE Servers

Lector: P. Paprocki

**EMHC:** B. Fleming, M. Gearhart, MK. Hegeman,

K. Jackson, L. Lange, V. Pocwierz

**Adoration/St. Bon's @ Scotus**

Open hours are:

Sun. 12-1 a.m.

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

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

***I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.***

***St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta***

**GOSPEL MEDITATION****Matthew 5:17-37**

A few years into my priesthood, I hit a wall. I had taken on too many commitments: Masses, meetings, ministries, projects. I couldn't keep up. I was double-booking, forgetting things, running late, and letting people down. My boss at the time, a wise priest, and our shared secretary, noticed. For my birthday, the two gave me a stack of 100 flashcards, each with one word printed in a different language: "NO." It was funny, but also painfully true. If I couldn't say no, my yes was in danger.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says, "Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is from the Evil One" (Matthew 5:37). He's not just giving advice about polite speech. He's showing us something about the freedom of Christian discipleship. The follower of Christ is called to speak clearly, simply, and honestly. There is joy in that kind of freedom.

The Church Fathers often linked this kind of straightforward truthfulness with spiritual maturity. The devil is the father of lies, but Jesus is the Word made flesh. When we hedge, flatter, exaggerate, or avoid, we open space for the shadows to creep in. That little stack of flashcards reminded me that God does not want us enslaved to the expectations of others or to the fear of disappointing them. He wants us to enjoy the peace of saying yes and meaning it, and saying no, and meaning it, too.

**Lenten Challenge:** Practice one moment of honest, peaceful speech this week. Maybe it's a sincere "yes" to something important, or a humble "no" to something you cannot do. Let it be a quiet step into the freedom Jesus offers.

— Father John Muir ©LPI

**Everyday Stewardship**

I saw a slogan once for an Internet start-up: "There is one rule; there are no rules." In fact, when I searched for this slogan again online, I was surprised at all of the variations on the "no rules" sentiment. Apparently, even Justin Bieber has a documented quote: "I want my world to be fun. No parents, no rules, no nothing. Like, no one can stop me. No one can stop me." Wow. My own kids seldom read my reflections. If they are reading this one, don't get any ideas!

Of course, a society without laws or rules will not exist for very long. The laws of a society are there to protect us from perhaps our greatest enemy: ourselves. We can't just do whatever we feel like. We will eventually hurt others or ourselves. The laws of God and his Church have the same effect. Sinful and imperfect people need parameters. Christians who choose sin or their own will over God's commandments not only break the relationship they have with their God, but they hurt others and diminish the body of Christ.

A stewardship way of life asks of us to live in a certain manner. We sometimes think that our cultivation of gifts and giving them back with increase to God is for God's sake. God's commands do not benefit God, for God is complete and perfect without need for increase. But this way of life is for the benefit of his creation. There is no power struggle here between a God of rules and his children. The cross bears witness to that. Instead, God's "rules" prevent us from destroying ourselves, and give us a path so we may flourish. Whether you are an ordinary Joe or an ordinary Bieber, following God's commands will lead to the real satisfaction in this gift of life.

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## February 21 & 22

**Ministry** 4:30 p.m. M. & J. Moser

8:00 a.m. R. Wemhoff, P. Scharff, K. Korte,  
P. Stuthman, M. Wortmann

10:00 a.m. Children's Choir, V. Semerad

## SCOTUS MUSICAL-THE PRINCE OF EGYPT

The students at Scotus Central Catholic will be performing The Prince of Egypt: The Musical on Friday and Saturday, February 13 and 14 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, February 15 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$8 a piece and can be purchased at the door.

Everyone is welcome!



### St. Anthony Fish Fry

Social Hall 1719 6<sup>th</sup> St.

Every Friday, Feb. 20-Mar. 27

5:30-8:00pm

Fried/baked fish, scalloped potatoes, macaroni salad, cole slaw, grilled cheese sandwiches, bread tea & water

Available for purchase: desserts & soda (BYOB)

Adults \$14, Seniors (60+) \$12,

Children (5-11) \$7, (4 & under) free

Takeout Meals \$14, All fish \$25

Venmo: @KofC\_9264 Zelle: KofC9264FSGlenn

Questions call Rey Jarecki 402-910-6806



## QUEST RETREAT:

For all Freshmen and Sophomore high school students on March 28-29 at Tintern Retreat Center.

Cost \$50. Please contact Gene Schumacher at 402-564-0258 for Application details or use the below QR Code. What a great gift for your child or grandchild!



## VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are looking for another person to vacuum the narthex once every 4 weeks. If interested please call Kathy at 402-564-8993.



## February 16-20

**Monday**-Chili, Cinnamon Roll, Corn

**Tuesday**-Popcorn Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans

**Wednesday**-Bosco Sticks, Marinara Sauce, Green Beans

**Thursday**-Cheeseburger/Bun, Fries Carrots, Ice Cream

**Friday**-Fish Sticks, Augratin Potatoes, Broccoli



## PRE (Parish Religious Education)

### Wed., February 18

Attend Ash Wednesday Mass 6:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Attendance will be taken before Mass times. Call, email or text if Mass is attended in another Parish. Mary Throener at 402-649-0341

**Feb. 10** Officer's Mtg.

**Feb. 24** Membership Mtg.



**Mar. 7** KC Steak Fry-Westbrook Lanes

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

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

We invite all members of the Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 and prospective members to our next meeting on Monday, February 16 in the St. Bon's Parish Center. The evening will begin at 6:30pm with a Potluck Dinner in appreciation of our Priests and Deacons. We will also be crowning the Queen of Hearts! Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish. The table service will be provided.



## 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

**February 18, Lent begins...**



**Masses at St. Isidore**

**6:30 a.m., 8:10 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.**

**Mass at Platte Center 6:30 p.m.**

## **Ash Wednesday & Good Friday Days of Fasting & Abstinence**

**Every person between the age of 18 & 59 beginning of the 60<sup>th</sup> year must fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. The law of fasting allows a single full meal each day & two light meals at other times but no solid foods between meals.**

**No meat is allowed on any Fridays during Lent.**

## **Lenten Stations of the Cross**

**St. Isidore** 5:30 p.m. every Friday during Lent

**St. Isidore Living Stations** with the school children at 2:50 p.m. on the following Fridays: Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, Mar. 20, Mar. 27

**St. Joseph's/Platte Center** 6:00 p.m. every Friday



## **CEC Men's Lenten Breakfast**

Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28

6:15-6:45 a.m. Breakfast

7:00-8:00 a.m. Program

Women CEC-please join us on

March 21 & 28 for breakfast and a special program.

Free will offering.

## **Easter Masses**

### **St. Isidore**

**Sunday, April 5, 2026**

**7:00a.m., 8:30a.m., 10:00 a.m.**

### **St. Joseph/Platte Center**

**Sunday, April 5 at 8:30 a.m.**

## **PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE IN!**

**Pictorial Directories have arrived and will be available for pickup before and after each mass the weekends of Feb. 14-15, Feb. 21-22, and Feb. 28 -29.**

**Books will NOT be available at the rectory.**

## **BLACK AND INDIAN COLLECTION**

### **2ND COLLECTION FEB. 21 & 22**

Next week, our parish will take up the 142 annual National Black & Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

## **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!!**



## **Annual New York Strip Dinner**

**Saturday, March 7th**

**5:30-8:30 p.m. Westbrook Lanes**

Serving: Steak, Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Salad, and a Roll

Enjoy Food and Fellowship while supporting the Knights of Columbus.

Sponsored by all 3 Columbus Knight's Councils



## **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.**