

**Saint Joseph's Catholic Church**  
**155 A Street, PO Box 155**  
**Platte Center, NE 68653-0155**



**SUNDAY CHURCH BULLETIN**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

**ONE CHURCH: Encountering JESUS, Equipping DISCIPLES, Living MERCY**

**Mass Schedule:**  
Saturday: 7:30 PM

**Confession Schedule:**  
Saturday: 7:00 - 7:20 PM or see  
Saint Isidore Confession time

**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
**Our Family of Parishes**  
**St. Isidore**

Sat. 4:30 p.m.  
Sun. 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

**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. Stanislaus/Duncan**

Sun. 9:00 a.m.

**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism** - Contact the office

**Confession** - Friday 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

**Marriage** - Contact the rectory one year in advance.

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

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**Parish Weekly Bulletin On-Line:** [saintisidorechurch.com](http://saintisidorechurch.com) *Click on Saint Joseph Bulletin Tab*

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**Mass Intentions:**

Thu, Mar 5, 6:30 PM

†Jim Sprunk & Stacey Briles

Sat, Mar 7, 7:30 PM

† Ed & Chad Szatko

**Saint of the Day** or other

*Saints Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs*

**Liturgical Ministers for Masses of March 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026:**

Time: Thursday, 6:30 PM

Saturday, 7:30 PM

Lectors:

Beth

EMHC's

Mary

Lisa & Sharon

Servers:

Volunteers

Olivia Olsufka

Eli Olsufka

Volunteer

See Schedule

Organist:

See Schedule

Cantors:

Volunteers

Ushers:

See Schedule

Greeters:

Volunteers

Offertory Gifts:

Church Cleaning for March: See Schedule

Money Counters for March: Carrie Jaixen, Dale Jaixen and Thomas & Leanna Jaixen

<b>Date:</b> February 18 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2026	<b>Gifts of Treasure</b>
<b>Adult</b>	\$12.00 & \$610.00
<b>Loose Currency &amp; Checks</b>	\$221.00 & \$299.00
<b>Children's</b>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Amount = Ash Wednesday</i>
<b>Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Amount = Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup></i>
<b>Electric / Fuel</b>	\$0.00 & \$50.00
<b>Mass Income</b>	\$0.00 & \$100.00
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Black &amp; Indian Missions</b>	\$0 & \$168.00
<b>Rental</b>	\$0.00 & \$100.00
<b>Total Money Counter Report</b>	<b>\$233.00 &amp; \$1,327.00</b>

**Automatic Deposits for the week of February 22<sup>nd</sup>: \$148.00**

**Scripture Readings for the Week of Mar 1<sup>st</sup>:**

Mon: Dn 9:4b-10 & Lk 6:36-38  
 Tue: Is 1:10, 16-20 & Mt 23:1-12  
 Wed: Jer 18:18-20 & Mt 20:17-28  
 Thu: Jer 17:5-10 & Lk 16:19-31  
 Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a & Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Sat: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 & Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
 Sun: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 & Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

**Rosary Crusade:**

1. Safety for Travelers.
2. Special Intention.
3. Thanksgiving for Favors Received.
4. Elladee Ronhovde.
5. For those with health issues.
6. Special Intention.

*\* Please call Elverine Pillen 402-246-2431 with Prayer Requests \**

## **Second Sunday of Lent**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and do not be afraid.” And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, “Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.” - A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

### **Activities for the week of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026:**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Activity:</b>
Fri, Mar 6, 6:00 PM	Saint Joseph Church	Stations of the Cross

### **PRE Notes:**

Wed, Mar 4, 6:30 - 7:45 PM	PRE Classes.
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**Children’s Offertory** - We will have our children’s offertory collection following the petitions. They may place their offering in the basket provided on the steps of the altar.

**Mass Intentions for 2026:** Now accepting mass intentions for **July through September**. These will be filled before accepting requests for October through December. \$10 per mass, mass intention and your name must accompany the request.

**Lenten Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent at 6:00 PM here at St. Joseph’s.

**Easter Masses:** Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM at St. Isidore’s  
 Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM at St. Isidore’s  
*Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM at St. Joseph’s*

**Rice Bowls** - By donating to CRS Rice Bowl, you help provide lifesaving support to people around the world. But did you know your generosity also helps your local diocese? Twenty-five percent of every donation stays in your community to fight hunger and poverty, while 75% supports vital Catholic Relief Services programs around the world. Thank you for your compassion and for making a profound difference globally and locally.

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

**Local Events Around the area:**

**Check out flyers on Church Bulletin Boards**

1. **Annual New York Strip Dinner** - Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 - 8:30 PM, 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 Night’s Councils.
2. **Saint Anthony Fish Fry** - Every Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 - 8:00 PM in the Social Hall. Fried/Baked fish, scalloped potatoes, macaroni salad, cole slaw, grilled cheese sandwiches, bread, tea & water. Available for purchase: desserts and soda (BYOB). Adults \$14, Seniors (60+) \$12, Children (5-11) \$7, (4 and under) free. Takeout Meals \$14, All fish \$25. Questions call Rey Jarecki 402-910-6806.
3. **CDA** - We invite all members of the Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 and prospective members to our next meeting on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in the St. Bon’s Parish Center. The evening will begin at 6:30. We will be recognizing the winners of our local Education Contest followed by our business meeting.
4. Our **Catholic Daughters Court #988** is celebrating our 100th Anniversary this year. Our local Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 is 100 years old 2026! We are holding an Anniversary Banquet on Thursday, April 9th. We will begin with Mass at St. Bonaventure at 5:00 and then gather at the VFW for a cash bar social hour, meal and program. Meal price is \$10.00 prepaid for a delicious 2-meat buffet. Spouses and family members are welcome to attend. Please send your registration and payment to Vice Regent Mari Melcher (402-270-1477) at 27318 340 Avenue, Monroe, NE. 68647. Please join us for a memorable evening celebrating our CDA history!
5. Register now at [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com) for these upcoming retreats:  
*He Gave His Life to Set us Free: The Passion According to Matthew, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026*

**Archbishop’s Annual Appeal 2025 - 2026 for Saint Joseph’s Church**

Goal	Gift Total	% of Goal	Participation	Part. Goal
\$6,110.26	\$6,178.00	102.48 %	24	33%

***Congratulations on reaching our monetary Goal for 2025 - 2026!!***