

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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 isidore@colcath.org

Parish Secretary.....Kathy Wright
 kwright@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

Scotus High School.....402-564-7165
Principal.....Terry Kathol

St. Isidore Ministry Office
Youth Ministry.....Sarah Doerneman
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Ministries
Shut-in-Ministry.....Kathy Wright
 402-564-8993

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Quilting Ladies.....
 lola Werts 402-606-4446
 Fay Keller 402-564-8056

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

M A S S
intentions

Monday, March 9
 8:10am L/D Ben & Eleanor Niedbalski Family
Tuesday, March 10
 8:10am L/D LeRoy & Alvina Schumacher Family
Wednesday, March 11
 8:10am L/D Jim Hegemann Family
Thursday, March 12
 8:10am L/D Wondercheck & Jarecke Families
Friday, March 13
 8:10am L/D Harsh & Albracht Families
 EM 3:00pm L/D Kenneth & Mary Euteneuer Fam.
Saturday, March 14
 8:10am †Ted & Sally Heinen
 4:30pm †Dave Eisenmenger
Sunday, March 15
 8:00am L/D Krzycki & Wojcik Families
 10:00am St. Isidore & St. Joseph Parishioners

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, March 1, 2026
 St. Isidore \$ 15,969.76
 Children's \$ 129.00
 E-Giving \$ 980.00
 Maint. & Repairs \$ 200.00
 Ash Wednesday \$ 337.00

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 \$4,867,271.00

Payments received on pledge commitments \$4,603,162.00

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	\$102,331.88	90.60%	268
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	\$4,916.00	80.45%	21

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 March 14 & 15

Saturday, @4:30 p.m.

Greeter: J. & L. Lawrence

Ushers: W. Babel, L. Hogelin, P. Jazwick,
M. Liebig

Servers: P. Cech, D. Olberding,
E. Olberding, H. Trouba

Lector: G. Schumacher

EMHC: J. Bulkley, K. Dinslage, B. Fleming,
A. Rickert, C. Schumacher, S. Vancura

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: S. & J. Sueper

Usher: J. Donoghue, D. Hegemann,
T. Pocwierz, D. Wagner

Servers: W. Liebig G. Pflum, E. Schmid,
L. Sliva

Lector: M. Krzycki

EMHC: S. Beiermann, MK. Hegemann,
N. Krzycki, V. Pocwierz, M. Throener, M. Zach

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: J. Jakub, B. McPhillips

Usher: L. Dohmen, G. Groteluschen,
B. Hoppe, B. McPhillips

Servers: L. Bertrand, E. Cameron, J. Hoefler,
D. Lindberg

Lector: A. Spenner

EMHC: M. Doerneman, S. Hoge, L. Stuchl,
H. Willnerd, R. Zoucha, 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.

**What can we do to
promote world peace?
Go home and love your
family.**

St. Teresa of Calcutta

GOSPEL MEDITATION

3rd Sunday of Lent

John 4:5-42

Recently I received a note from a teenager I met years ago. He wrote, "Dear Father Muir, you probably do not remember me, but I wanted to thank you for your inspiring and humorous homilies at the parish. They helped me appreciate the beauty of Catholicism, which I have now embraced in a personal way." That small note moved me more than he probably imagined. I had no idea my words had taken root in him. I was simply sowing seeds — week by week, Mass by Mass. Someone else — his parents, a youth minister, or God Himself — was doing the deeper work. Now this young man is joyfully reaping a harvest of faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers living water to a Samaritan woman whose life had been full of searching and disappointment. By the end of their encounter, she becomes a bold and joyful evangelist. Then Jesus turns to his disciples and says something easily overlooked: "One sows and another reaps" (John 4:37). He is helping them — and us — understand how evangelization works. Often, the one who sows the seeds of faith is not the one who sees the fruit.

This Lent, ask yourself: Are you in a sowing phase or a reaping phase? If you are sowing — raising children, praying for someone, mentoring — be patient. Your work matters. If you are reaping — seeing someone come alive in faith — be grateful. You are standing on sacred ground, tilled and watered by others.

Lenten challenge: Thank someone who once sowed faith into your life. And keep sowing, even when the harvest is unseen.

— Father John Muir

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

When I think about the story of the Samaritan woman at the well, I think of my father. This Gospel reading that we use every year for the First Scrutiny of the RCIA was always my favorite to discuss with those who would be baptized in just a few weeks at the Easter Vigil. Not that many years ago, my father was one of those elect. That year, the story was more powerful than ever.

The woman went frequently to the well looking to get the water that would sustain her body. But in the story, Jesus tells her of a different kind of water, one that gives life and quenches even the driest of thirsts. The story tells us that she put down her water jar and ran to the town telling of her encounter with the One who may be the Christ. She left that jar at the well. She did not need it anymore.

I encounter people all the time that spend their days going up the hill to draw water. They are tired and spent. My father was one of those. But with the gift of baptismal water, that constant chore is now over. There is no need to travel up that hill.

This Lent, if you are one of the baptized, reclaim the gift of your baptism. Stop climbing that hill in search of something that can only quench your thirst temporarily. You encountered Christ and have the everlasting, living water already. Put down that water jar. Your new life has only just begun.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Music Ministry **March 14 & 15**
4:30 p.m. V. Semerad
8:00 a.m. Reiners & Co.
10:00 a.m. D. Hanson, C. Preister

School Lunch **March 9-13**
Monday-Pulled Pork Sandwich, Fries Mixed Veggies
Tuesday-Chicken Quesadilla, Spanish Rice, Peas
Wednesday-Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Corn
Thursday-No School
Friday-No School

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
 Next week our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.uscb.org/catholic-relief. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection.

PRE (Parish Religious Education)
Wed., March 11
 Regular Classes 6:00-7:30 p.m.
 Eucharistic Miracles in Parish Center. Parents of Grades 6, 7 & 8 please walk through with you child. Attend cookie social in cafeteria. 5th Grade reconciliation. Grades 3 & 4 Rosary in cafeteria. Call or text Mary Throener 402-649-0341 with questions.

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
 We invite all members of the Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 and prospective members to our next meeting on Monday, March 9 in the St. Bon's Parish Center. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. We will be recognizing the winners of our local Education Contest followed by our business meeting. 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 p.m. 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!

Mar. 21 KC Awards Banquet
Mar. 24 Membership Meeting
Knights of the Month for January: Dale Labenz & Dave Westermann
KC Families of the Month for January: Larry & Mary Miksch & Terry, Antoinette & Jerry Kane
 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**

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.



ACCEPTING ST. ISIDORE PRESCHOOL REGISTRATIONS FOR 2026/27
 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.

PRAYING FOR OUR PRIESTS HOLY HOUR
 Please join us Sunday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church for a Holy Hour of Adoration with special meditations for our Priests & Seminarians with Benediction. We will be using the Regina Maria Cleri books for our meditations. Books are available at the event.

St. Anthony Fish Fry
 Social Hall 1719 6th 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. 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





On behalf of all the members of St. Isidore Parish, I want to thank the Christian Women's Organization for their gift of \$12,000 to St. Isidore Parish. I also want to thank the women who are always ready to assist with funeral dinners, providing desserts, help serving the meal and cleaning up afterwards. Thanks especially to the ladies for assisting with the annual parish bazaar and serving the incredible dinner for which our parish is noted. Thank you, Ladies, for all you do and for being an inspiration to your families and to all of us! Fr. Joe



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: Mar. 20, Mar. 27
St. Joseph's/Platte Center 6:00 p.m. every Friday during Lent.



CEC Men's Lenten Breakfast

Mar. 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., 10:30 a.m.

St. Joseph/Platte Center

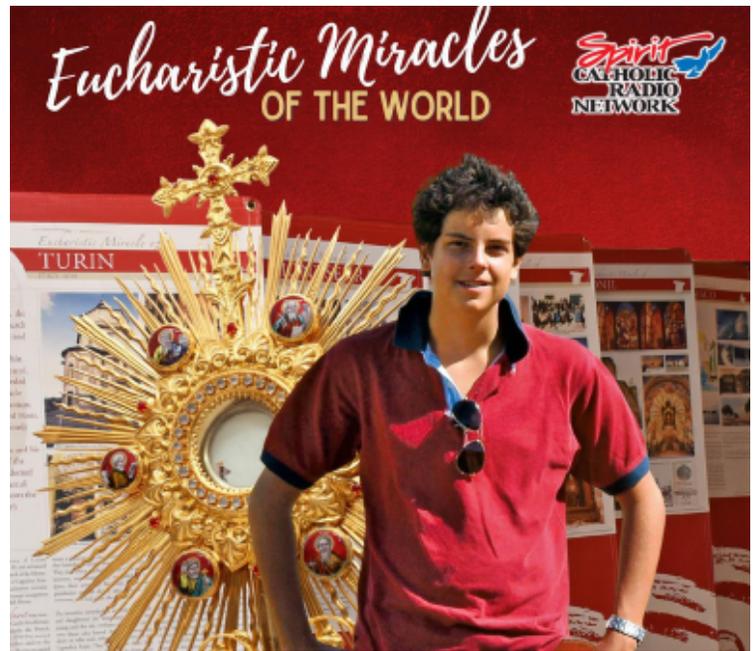
Sunday, April 5 at 8:30 a.m.

FORMING A CHURCH DECORATING COMMITTEE

We looking for several individuals to help decorate our church. If you are creative or just enjoy helping and are interested in becoming part of a team, please contact Kathy at the rectory 402-564-8993.

FLOWER LANDSCAPING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to work with the flower landscaping around St. Isidore Church starting this spring. Duane and Nancy Schmitt are retiring from doing this and others are needed to keep this beautiful legacy going. If you are interested in helping, please call Sandy (402-910-2338) or Mike (402-910-5384) for more information.



The St. Isidore Knights of Columbus will be bringing the Eucharistic Miracles of the World to St. Isidore's March 7th through March 18th. The miracles will be available for viewing from 6am to 9pm in the St. Isidore Parish Center (with the exception of times there is an event in the parish center). Check with Kathy Wright at 402-564-8993 if you have any questions about the schedule.

GALA 2026

Party In The USA

We need donations for the silent auction!

	
Auction Baskets	Wine & Liquor
	
Home-Canned Goods	9 x 13 Pans of Specialty Desserts

Baked Goods: Drop-off to Scotus on Friday April 10th between 7:30AM - 4PM

All other donations: Bring to Scotus before March 27th



St. Isidore's will be delivering meals on wheels on the week of March 16th. Please contact Ed Cerny at 402-910-8412 to schedule your day and route number.