

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

**Easter Sunday only 7:00 a.m.,
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 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.



One "yes" can change the world

The Annunciation of the Lord

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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M A S S
intentions

Monday, March 23
 8:10am Korth & Engelbert Families
Tuesday, March 24
 8:10am †Marvin & Carolyn Korecky
Wednesday, March 25
 8:10am †Al & Margaret Koziol
Thursday, March 26
 8:10am L/D Edwin & Josephine Sliva Family
Friday, March 27
 8:10am L/D Sidwell & Gonser Families
 EM 3:00pm †Tony & Agnes Rosenthal
Saturday, March 28
 8:10am L/D Felix & Maxine Tomasiewicz Family
 4:30pm †Fred & Shirley Vetick
Sunday, March 29
 8:00am †Larry Augustin
 10:00am St. Isidore & St. Joseph Parishioners

GIFTS OF TREASURE

Sunday, March 8, 2026
 St. Isidore \$11,855.00
 Children's \$ 114.00
 E-Giving \$ 1,385.00
 Maint. & Repairs \$ 370.00

Sunday, March 15, 2026
 St. Isidore \$15,871.00
 Children's \$ 71.36
 E-Giving \$ 335.00
 Maint. & Repairs \$ 40.00
 Cath. Relief Serv. \$ 3,182.00
 ACH Deposit \$18,563.25

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.

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.



Total Project Cost 7.2M

Pledge Commitments received \$4,867,271.00
 Payments received on pledge commitments \$4,621,834.00
 Thank you to everyone who has contributed! If you have not yet contributed, please consider making a donation.

Annual Appeal 2025-2026



	Goal	Gift Total	% of Goal	Participation
St. Isidore	\$112,945.22	\$102, 778.88	91.00%	268
St. Joseph	\$6,110.26	\$6,262.00	102.48%	24

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 28 & 29

Saturday, @4:30 p.m.

Greeter: T. Divis, J. McClure

Ushers: C. Kucera, R. Miksch, T. Pick, D. Smith

Servers: K. Schoenfelder, K. Schoenfelder,

E. Schoenfelder, G. Schwartz

Lector: J. Heng, D. Jablonski, T. Kane

EMHC: J. Bulkley, M. Krzycki, N. Krzycki, J. Kucera,

D. Lux, S. Stutzman

Sunday, @ 8:00 a.m.

Greeter: M. Kluever, J. Spale

Usher: D. Ferguson, T. Pocwierz, D. Wagner, B. Zegar

Servers: C. Gable, D. Hanson, O. Konwinski,

F. Luchsinger

Lector: R. Hanus, T. Pillen, T. Zabawa

EMHC: M. Birkel, G. Jochum, P. Pandorf, V. Pocwierz,

E. Wemhoff, C. Wozny

Sunday, @ 10:00 a.m.

Greeter: M. & D. Wessel

Usher: B. Belina, D. Cheloha, J. Jakub, R. Schmidt

Servers: A. Brezenski, E. Podliska, C. Schrant, N. Yanez

Lector: H. Broxterman, D. Mroczek, P. Paprocki

EMHC: R. Birchem, M. Fehr, S. Schefus, M. Sonderman,

S. Wieser, J. Zimmerman

Holy Thursday, @ 7:30 p.m.

Greeter: J. & L. Lawrence

Usher: J. Feldhaus, M. Gall, R. Hanus, K. Mroczek

Lector: D. Mroczek, A. Spenner

EMHC: A. Gaspers, M. Gearhart, K. Jackson,

T. Stuthman

Good Friday, @ Noon

Usher: L. Dohmen, J. Grotelushchen, P. Jazwick,

C. Quiring

Lector: L. Koliha, D. Starzec, C. Wozny

EMHC: B. Boesch, J. & T. Jarecke, C. Lentfer,

J. Quattrocchi, M. Zach

Good Friday, @ 5pm

Usher: S. Bailey, G. Grotelushchen, L. Hogelin,

A. Zelasney

Lector: R. Csukker, N. Krzycki, M. Krzycki

EMHC: L. & K. Kaslon, S. Krings, T. & K. Loefelholz,

C. Probst

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.

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)

Sign up online at

<https://adorationpro.org/bonaventure> or text

Joan @ 402-910-0958.

RURAL SOUTHWEST DEANERY MEETING

The Spring meeting of the Rural Southwest Deanery will be on Thursday, April 9th, at Saint Anthony's Parish Center, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

5th Sunday of Lent John 11:1-45

A friend of mine wrote an imaginative reflection on the raising of Lazarus that caught me off guard. She proposed that when Jesus called Lazarus from the tomb, the man was not joyful but angry and annoyed. After so much suffering, maybe death felt like a release. He had finally escaped the pain. And then, suddenly, Jesus' voice cuts through the silence: "Lazarus, come out!" (John 11:43) The light stings his eyes. The pain returns. And now he is dragged back into a world that had broken him.

It startled me at first, but the more I sat with it, the more it made sense. Sometimes, people do not want to be raised. Not at first. Think of those in the grip of addiction, despair, or numbness. The tomb can feel safer than the risk of living again. Yet Jesus, moved by the grief and faith of others (Martha, Mary, the community) calls the dead man out. Lazarus obeys. But he is still bound, head to foot. Jesus says to the bystanders, "Untie him and let him go" (John 11:44).

That is often how healing happens: slowly, reluctantly. Not just by a personal decision, but through the love and persistence of others. Resurrection is not always euphoric. It may begin in protest and confusion and only later turn to gratitude and freedom. But Christ's voice breaks through, anyway.

Lenten challenge: Who in your life needs to be called back to life? Pray for them. If that person is you, listen for the voice. It is calling even now.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

When I am driving throughout the United States, I enjoy seeing the billboards that dot the highways speaking for God. A couple of my favorites: "Life is short. Eternity is not. --God"; and "Let's meet at my house this Sunday, before the game. --God." God must have a pretty big advertising budget because he has billboards in pretty much every state!

One billboard I saw read, "You asked God for a sign, and here it is!" After a chuckle, I realized that we are always looking for a sign. We say we believe, but sometimes, we act like we just want to be sure.

In the Gospels, Jesus performs miracles and healings so that people would believe. The healing of Lazarus was surely a profound moment for all who were there. Jesus was able to show that he has power over even death itself, a foreshadowing to his resurrection that will occur in the not too distant future. For all who doubt, be assured that Jesus is the giver of life. He has given living water to the woman at the well, sight to the blind, and now has raised a man from the grave.

As Easter draws ever closer, how many more signs do you need?

What else can Jesus do to convince you that his call on your life comes from the source of all life? As the US Bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship lays out, we have been challenged, we are asked to choose, and then our lives will be transformed. May all the signs of God around us, even billboards on the side of the road, move us to choose a path of giving of ourselves like Jesus.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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March 28 & 29

4:30 p.m. M. Moser, J. Moser
8:00 a.m. B. R-Hissong, T. Wittwer, V. Semerad
10:00 a.m. D. Hanson, M. Heavican, P. Perault,
M. Semerad, V. Semerad

MARCH 25, 2026

GLOBAL PRAYER DAY FOR PEACE

The World Apostolate of Fatima invites you to offer prayers to God and to Our Lady, for peace in Ukraine and in the entire world, on MARCH 25, 2026, the feast of the Annunciation. You may participate by praying the Rosary individually or as a group, attending Mass, making a holy hour of Eucharistic adoration, offering fasting or sacrifice. In a 1993 interview, Sister Lucia . . . "The Fatima week has not yet ended," she said. "Fatima has just begun." Now we must respond urgently to the basic requests of Fatima (our daily duty and the Rosary) and do many more First Saturday Communions of reparation.

<https://www.bluearmy.com/you-can-stop-wars-sister-lucia-shows-how/>

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING THE EASTER TRIDUUM - ATTENTION ADORERS!

You are encouraged to keep your hours of adoration at the Scotus Chapel through Good Friday & Holy Saturday even though the Eucharist is not present as we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed again after the 8:00pm Holy Saturday Mass. Have a Blessed Easter!

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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

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!

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.



March 23-27

Monday-Cheeseburger, Fries, Peas
Tuesday-Taco, Tater Tots, Corn
Wednesday-Bosco Sticks, Marinara Sauce, Green Beans
Thursday-Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Blueberry Bar
Friday-Fish Sticks Mac & Cheese, Broccoli



PRE (Parish Religious Education)
Wed., March 25

Regular Classes 6:00-7:30 p.m.
7th Grade Reconciliation

Call or text Mary Throener 402-649-0341 with questions.

Mar. 24 Membership Meeting

Apr. 11 Easter Egg Hunt

Knights of the Month for Feb.-Gary Kruse

KC Family of the Month for Feb.-Jeff & Cathy Gokie

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**



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.

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



LENTEN COMMUNAL

CONFESSIONS

ST. ANTHONY

Sunday, March 29 – 2pm

ST. ISIDORE

Tuesday, March 31 – 7pm

ST. BONAVENTURE

Wednesday, April 1 – 7pm



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 Friday Mar. 27

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

Easter Masses

St. Isidore

Sunday, April 5, 2026

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

The 7:00a.m. Easter Mass will be televised.

St. Joseph/Platte Center
Sunday, April 5 at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Triduum

Holy Thurs., Apr. 2 Morning Prayer – 8:10am Televised

Holy Thurs., Seder Meal 6pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm

Televised starting at 8:00pm

Good Fri., Apr. 3 Morning Prayer – 8:10am Televised

Good Fri., Noon Service Televised

5:00pm Service

Holy Sat., Apr. 4 Morning Prayer – 8:10am Televised

Easter Vigil 8:00pm Televised



Seder Meal is on Holy Thursday, April 2 at 6:00pm in the Parish Center. A to L please bring a potato dish to share and M to Z please bring a vegetable dish to share.

5-March 22, 2026

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

"By this novena (of chaplets, before the Feast of Mercy), I will grant every possible grace to souls" Diary, 796.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy as a Novena begins on Good Friday, April 3 thru Saturday, April 11.

"On each day you will bring to My Heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy, and I will bring all these souls into the house of My Father..."

"On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My bitter Passion, for graces for these souls."

(Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, each day, for the following daily intention.)

FIRST DAY "Today bring to Me ALL MANKIND, ESPECIALLY ALL SINNERS."

SECOND DAY "Today bring to Me THE SOULS OF PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS."

THIRD DAY "Today bring to Me ALL DEVOUT AND FAITHFUL SOULS."

FOURTH DAY "Today bring to Me THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN ME AND THOSE WHO DO NOT YET KNOW ME."

FIFTH DAY "Today bring to Me THE SOULS OF THE SEPARATED BRETHREN."

SIXTH DAY "Today bring to Me THE MEEK AND HUMBLE SOULS AND THE SOULS OF LITTLE CHILDREN."

SEVENTH DAY "Today bring to Me THE SOULS WHO ESPECIALLY VENERATE AND GLORIFY MY MERCY."

EIGHTH DAY "Today bring to Me THE SOULS WHO ARE DETAINED IN PURGATORY."

NINTH DAY "Today bring to Me SOULS WHO HAVE BECOME LUKEWARM."

GOOD FRIDAY A DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Every person between the age of 18 & 59 (beginning of the 60th year.) must fast and abstain from meat on 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.

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

There is so much uncertainty for those living in the Holy Land, so on behalf of the those who receive assistance from the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, the Franciscan Friars thank you and your community of faithful for your very generous help in the past. The current situation in the Holy Land has fortified the Holy Fathers' commitment to maintain critical support for Christians in the Holy Land. The funds collected on Good Friday provide for pastoral care, schools, housing, employment, refugee assistance and service for the vulnerable young and elderly. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also supports the sacred shrines entrusted to the care of the Holy Land Franciscans for more than 800 years and visited by more than 1.5 million pilgrims annually. As needs have increased due to recent events, we are ever grateful for your generosity and support.