

St. Joseph's Colon, NE

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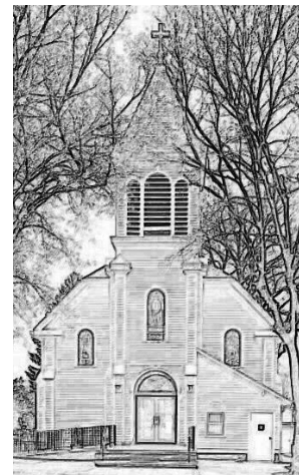
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St. Mary's Cedar Bluffs, NE

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July 12, 2026

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

13 Monday	NO MASS		
14 Tuesday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Doug Haynes †
15 Wednesday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	St. Ann Sodality members
16 Thursday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Richard & Dolores Vasina †
17 Friday	7:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	Fr. Luke Fleck
18 Saturday	5:00 PM	@ St. Joseph's	Jim Fujan †
19 Sunday	8:00 AM	@ St. Joseph's	For the people of the parishes
	10:00 AM	@ St. Mary's	Larry Wagner †

CONFESSIONS: Weekdays: 20 minutes before Mass
Saturday: 4:30—4:50 pm @ St. Joseph's
Sunday: 7:30—7:50 am @ St. Joseph's
9:30—9:50 am @ St. Mary's
or call the office for an appointment.

BAPTISM: Please contact the Pastor to schedule a date & time. The baptism request form is on the parish website.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the Pastor **AT LEAST 6 months** before the planned marriage.

ADORATION/EXPOSITION: St. Joseph's will have exposition on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:50pm and Sunday 7:00 - 7:50am. Also, from 7:00am - 1:00pm every Wednesday of the year.

NEXT SATURDAY, July 18, 5 pm at St. Joseph

Acolyte: Brandon Henkel Lector: Bob Rezac
Servers: Henry Henkel & Volunteer needed

NEXT SUNDAY, July 19, 8 am at St. Joseph

Acolyte: Dan Gruenes Lector: Marie Gruenes
Servers: John Kabes & Caleb Schoeneck

SUNDAY, July 19, 10 am at St. Mary

Volunteers needed

Sacramental News and Special Announcements

A Missionary Priest will be visiting our parishes
the week of July 19th.

Father's Re"Fleck"ions

Dear Parishioners,

I am so grateful to be back with you all after my 8-day Ignatian Retreat at Broom Tree in South Dakota. Truly, the Lord wants to meet us in the silence where His voice can be heard. I was deeply moved by experience and would like to invite anyone to consider doing a retreat there or at our local retreat center! One touching moment in prayer was an invitation from Mary to renew my devotion to her through the Brown Scapular. There are many devotions that each person is uniquely moved by and this is one that has been with me since around 2nd grade. So, with the feast of our Lady of Mt. Carmel this week I would like to invite anyone to consider joining the confraternity of the brown scapular of our Lady.

To give you some context, here is a brief history of the Scapular. In the year 1251, in the town of Aylesford in England, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite. She handed him a brown woolen scapular and said, "This shall be a privilege for you and all Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall not suffer eternal fire." In time, the Church extended this magnificent privilege to all the laity who are willing to be invested in the Brown Scapular of the Carmelites and who perpetually wear it. True devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary consists in three things: VENERATION, CONFIDENCE AND LOVE. By simply wearing the Scapular, we venerate her, love her and trust her protection. As Our Lord taught us to say the Our Father, Our Blessed Mother taught us the value of the scapular. When we use it as a prayer, Our Lady draws us to the Sacred Heart of Her Divine Son. It is good, therefore, to hold the scapular in the hand. The Carmelites claim that this act of prayer offered while holding the Scapular is as perfect as a prayer can be. It is especially in time of temptation that we need the powerful intercession of God's Mother. The evil spirit is utterly powerless when the wearer of a scapular faces temptation, calling upon the Holy Virgin in this silent devotion. "If you had recommended yourself to me, you would not have run into such danger," was Our Lady's gentle reproach to Blessed Alan de la Roche, one of her devoted servants.

The Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel has also promised to save those who wear the scapular from the fires of hell; She will also shorten their stay in purgatory if they should pass from this world still owing some debt of punishment. The Blessed Virgin assigned certain conditions which must be fulfilled:

1. Wear the Brown Scapular continuously.
2. Observe chastity according to one's state in life (married/single).
3. Recite daily the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin OR Observe the fasts of the Church together with abstaining from meat on Wednesdays and Saturdays OR With permission of a priest, say five decades of Our Lady's Most Holy Rosary OR With permission of a priest, substitute some other good work.

If you would be interested in joining the Brown Scapular Confraternity, please let me know by email, phone, or in person. I will be doing inductions next Saturday and Sunday after all masses. The Scapulars you will receive are handmade by our local Carmelites in Agnew, NE.

God Bless you all!

Fr. Luke Fleck

Jn 3:30 "He must increase, I must decrease."

Parish Contact Information

Sacramental Emergency: (402) 486-8655

Adoration Hour Chair: Ryan Mascarello (402) 203-0208

Bulletin Request: stjosephstmary@lincolndiocese.org

Knights of Columbus: Jeremy Vrana (402) 443-7300

St. Joseph Hall Rental: Cyndy Bohaty (402) 647-2555

Men's Group: Adam Quinn (402) 853-2693

St. Anne's Funeral Group for St. Joseph's:

Alice Meduna, (402) 647-4485 or richardmeduna@windstream.net
or Patty Swanson, (402) 480-1771 or pswanson999@gmail.com

St. Mary's PCCW Funeral Group: Gladys Wagner (402) 628-5345
or Mary Osterloh (402) 708-0284

We are grateful you are here! All families and individuals are welcome in our parish community!

If you are returning to the faith, interested in becoming Catholic, want more information, or would just like to dialog with someone. Please contact the Pastor or Ryan Mascarello at rjmascarello@gmail.com.

If you are new to St. Joseph's or St. Mary's, please reach out to Kara Lombardo (St. Joseph's) at (402)480-1395 or Mary Tenopir (St. Mary's) at (402)720-3491. Kara and Mary would love to introduce themselves and answer any questions you may have regarding the registration process, men's and women's groups, and our annual church dinner.

	Last Week's Actual Collection	Last Week's Budgeted Collection needed	Year to Date Actual Collections	Year to Date Budgeted Collections needed
St. Mary's	\$ 1,194	\$ 1,518	\$ 1,194	\$ 1,518
St. Joseph's	\$ 3,470	\$ 3,384	\$ 3,470	\$ 3,384

Local News

St. Joseph's: Cleaning the Church in June: Sodality members responsible for cleaning the church during the month of July are Kae Sanderson, Maura Meduna, Paige Meduna, Tanya Brabec, & Kelly Meduna.

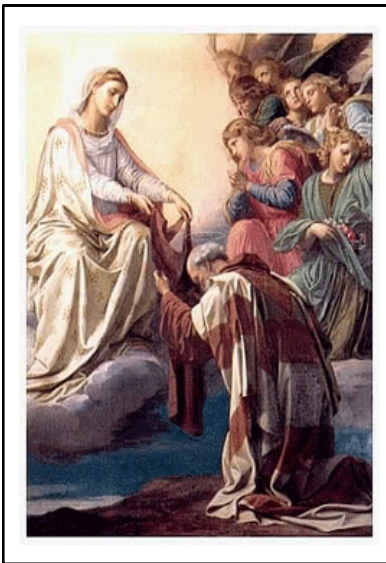
Sts Mary & Joseph Valparaiso PCCW Salad Supper TUESDAY, JULY 14th, 6:30pm at Parish Hall. Tickets sold at door \$12. Military and Veterans \$6. Bucket Raffle and Wine Table. Delicious salads and sandwich meal! Join us for AMERICANA MUSIC BINGO!

Holy Land Olive Art: Representatives from Holy Land Olive Art will be visiting the parish on July 18 and 19th. Thank you for your support of Catholics in the Holy Land.

Parish Secretary: Please join me in welcoming Stephanie Quinn as our new part-time secretary for St. Joseph and St. Mary. Please send all correspondence to: stjosephstmary@lincolndiocese.org

St. Mary's: We are looking for a volunteer to help manage our cemetery markers and records. Please reach out to Don Hrban if you're able to help at (402)480-2622. This is not a labor or time-intensive role.

Eucharistic Adoration: We are currently in need of adorers for hours 6pm—11pm. Please see the website for open hours or contact Ryan Mascarello for more information. rjmascarello@gmail.com.



Our Lady's apparition to St. Simon Stock

Diocesan and National News

Saunders County Pro Life Committee: – **Parade Bag Stuffing** Help us prepare parade bags for the upcoming Saunders County parades! Join us **Tuesday, July 14, from 4:00–8:00 PM** (or until all the bags are filled) at **The Gathering Place, 110 Vine Street in Yutan**. Stop by anytime—whether you can stay a few minutes or a few hours, every helping hand is appreciated. **Snacks will be provided, and everyone is welcome!**

Pray for Vocations: Please pray for new entrants in our Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses. July 12-18 we are praying for Sr. Mary Amatrix from the Philippines, Professed Holy Spirit Adoration (Pink) Sister.

Marriage Encounter Experience: Sept. 18-20 in Grand Island. Open to all couples across Nebraska. "Enlightening our couple-love." Call/Text Gary & Brenda 402-370-5839 Register right-away so we may plan for you.



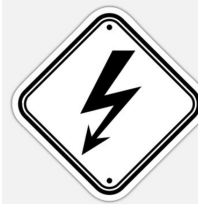
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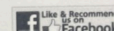
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