

# The Catholic Communities of

## ST. JOSAPHAT

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### Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

Sat., Aug. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	SJ MASS: † Rose Mary Kowalski OLL MASS
Sun., Aug. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: For the People
Mon., Aug. 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 AM	SJ: † Funeral Mass for Jean Wheeler † (No Ashton Mass)
Wed., Aug. 6 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: † Arnold & Evelyn Spotanski
Sat., Aug. 9 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	SJ MASS: † Amy Gatewood OLL MASS
Sun., Aug. 10 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: Phyllis Mroczek's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
In Ordinary Time



Confessions are heard one half-hour prior to each Mass.

August 3, 2025

<u>Saturday, Aug. 9th, 5:00 p.m.</u>	<u>Sunday, Aug. 10th, 10:30 a.m.</u>
<b><u>Greeters:</u></b> Rod Lovitt & David Woitalewicz	Mike & Heidi Krolikowski
<b><u>Leader:</u></b> Phyllis Piechota	Lisa Harrington
<b><u>Lector:</u></b> Rich Peters	Bill Ference
<b><u>Eucharist Min.:</u></b> Steve & Denise Holcomb	Mike & Whitney Kaminski
<b><u>Servers:</u></b> Chase Spotanski & Kade Kowalski	Brylie Sekutera & Paisley VanSlyke

**Noteworthy News:** On July 31<sup>st</sup>, Pope Leo XIV announced that St. John Henry Newman will be formally declared a "Doctor of the Church." He will join the ranks of great saints such as St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Teresa of Avila (to name only a few), those who are recognized for their significant contributions to theology and doctrine through their writings and teachings.

**Calendar Update:** Mass time for *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, is now at 6 p.m. at *both* St. Josaphat and Our Lady of Lourdes.

**Parish Hall Restroom Restoration:** Work has begun on the restrooms in the parish hall, so plan accordingly as none will be available for the short term. We consider this a minor inconvenience in the bigger picture of getting them completed in a timely fashion and appreciate finding someone to work with us in relatively short order! We look forward to having them updated!

**OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about our Catholic faith and being received into the Catholic Church? Call the office today for more information and to visit with Fr. Richard.

**Religious Ed Teachers:** Would you be interested in offering your time and efforts as a co-teacher/teacher volunteer for the upcoming year?? A new curriculum was instituted last year and we look forward to expanding upon it in 2025/2026. **Contact Whitney Kaminski (402-430-3734) to lend a hand.**

**Looking for something to do?** Join us on August 9, 2025, as we celebrate **140 incredible years of Boelus**, Nebraska, with a full day of small-town fun for all ages! From coffee and a vendor fair to a classic parade, kids' games, car show, duck race, and cornhole tournament- there's something for everyone! Don't miss Mystery Quest, live music by Tim Zach, and our festive street dance under the stars. Food, drinks, prizes, and hometown pride- this is a birthday bash you won't want to miss.

**Volunteers Needed** to celebrate Mass at the *NE State Fair*: Sunday, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, at 9 am with Bishop Emeritus Dendinger (contemporary service) and Sunday, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, at 9 am with Most Rev. Bishop Hanefeldt (traditional service). Altar servers, deacon, greeters, lector, collection assistance, and carrying up of gifts. All volunteers get free tickets to get into the fair for the day. If you can help with any of the positions on either day, please contact Cheryl Jones 308-382-6565.

**Bingo Bonanza in August** → Tuesdays, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Center.

**July 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

	<b>LOUP CITY</b>	<b>ASHTON</b>	<b>HAZARD</b>
<b>WEEKLY ENV.</b>	\$ 2,484.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 280.00
<b>PLATE</b>	\$ 758.00	----	----
<b>CHILDREN</b>	\$ 12.00	----	----
<b>EFT</b>	\$ 510.00		
<b>July Budget</b>	\$ <b>3,750.84/week</b> 15,033.34/month	\$ <b>1,031.17/week</b> 4,124.67/month	\$ <b>515.80/week</b> 2,063.17month
<b>Unmet July Balance</b>	\$ <b>4,249.34</b>	\$ <b>2,269.67</b>	\$ <b>908.17</b>