

The Catholic Communities of

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Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

Sat., Aug. 23 rd	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	SJ MASS: † Pat & Virginia Pokorski OLL MASS
Sun., Aug. 24 th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Charlie Skorupa
Mon., Aug. 25 th	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: † Agnes Einspahr
Wed., Aug. 27 th	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: † Mildred Lewandowski
Sat., Aug. 30 th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	SJ MASS: † Norman Woitalewicz OLL MASS
Sun., Aug. 31 st	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Dennis & Darlene Badura

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time



August 24, 2025

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

Youth Group Volunteer(s): St. Josaphat's Youth Group needs one, ideally two adult volunteers to assist with Youth Group activities and events throughout the religious ed season this year. Please prayerfully consider answering this call!

- **CCD Teachers** are still needed as well. Contact Whitney at the number at top to help out!!

<u>Saturday, Aug. 30th, 5:00 p.m.</u>	<u>Sunday, Aug. 31st, 10:30 a.m.</u>
<u>Greeters:</u> Marcia Dammann & Lillian Kaslon	Lonnie & Mitzi Tvrdik
<u>Leader:</u> Rose Kowalski	KC Choir Member
<u>Lector:</u> Cheryl Holcomb	Todd Wardyn
<u>Eucharist Min.:</u> Jerry Kowalski & Matthew Tuma	Sharon Osentowski & Chris Stieb
<u>Servers:</u> Karys Kowalski & Skyler Oseka	Conrad Kaminski & Will Krolkowski

We will be starting the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** in late September for all the parishes. This is for people who are interested in joining the Catholic Church or simply want to know more about their faith. Deacon Phil Lukasiewicz will be assisting me in this program. It culminates on Holy Saturday when, those who wish, will become Catholic. If you haven't already turned your name into the office, please do so. If you can help with this program and assist Deacon and I, please give me a call! Times and places are yet to be determined; I would like to run just one group but we'll see what works for people. God bless you! - Fr. Richard

KC Choir: The Knights are scheduled to sing in the choir next Sunday, Aug. 31st, at the 10:30 Mass. **The pianist requests your presence at 10 a.m.** to quickly run over the Mass settings. Thank you!

Polish Heritage Center Annual Celebration in Ashton on Sept. 7th. Start with Memorial Mass at 10:30 and from 11 to 1 enjoy our Polish buffet featuring kielbasa, sauerkraut & dumplings, pierogi, ethnic soups and much more. Dance to the Urkoskis from 1 to 4. Bid at the silent auction and enter the raffle for a handmade quilt and cash. Visit the country store and Polish Museum where you find favorites such as kolaches, paczki, Polish pottery and more!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WME): Are you looking to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married? Are you looking to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? The next WME experience is Sept. 19-21 in Grand Island. Early registration is recommended. For more info, visit www.wwme.org or call 402-370-5839.

- If you know a couple who has been faithfully married for 50 years or more, help us honor their journey. Nominate a couple for the **Longest Married Couple Project**. Let their story inspire others. Go to www.wwme.org and click on the *Longest Married Couple* tab. There will be an entry form on the left side of the page. Submission deadline: **Sept. 1, 2025!**

Silent Directed Retreat, September 7-12, at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Margie M. Walker and Marisa B. Gilbert. These four days of quiet will offer blessings in abundance as you spend meaningful time with your ever-present God. Retreatants meet daily with a spiritual director and gather for prayer as a group. Walking the labyrinth and/or praying with art are other spiritual practices offered to interested retreatants. Sunday, 6:00 p.m. to Friday after lunch. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

Workers in the Vineyard: Sat., Sept. 27th, from 10 am until 2:30 pm (MST) at Niobrara Valley Vineyards in Nenzel, NE. Women gathering and sowing together in Eucharistic learning and fellowship. Call or text for more info: 308-325-3153 or 308-645-7058. Cost: \$25 which includes lunch and wine. Registration deadline is Sept. 23rd. This event is sponsored by the GI DCCW.

Last Bingo of August: Tuesday, Aug. 26th, in the Parish Center at 7 pm.

August 16 and 17, 2025

	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 2,826.00	\$ 465.00	\$ 120.00
PLATE	\$ 587.00	----	----
CHILDREN	\$ 16.00	----	----
Assumption (Aug. 15th)	\$ 798.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 20.00
August Budget	\$ 3,750.84/week 15,033.34/month	\$ 1,031.17/week 4,124.67/month	\$ 515.80/week 2,063.17/month
Remaining Aug. Balance	\$ 5,566.88	\$ 2,067.67	\$ 1,203.17