

The Catholic Communities of

ST. JOSAPHAT

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<u>Priest & Pastor:</u>	Rev. Wajid Masih, (to begin on October 1, 2026)
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Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

Sat., Sept. 19th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Evelyn & Leonard Kalkowski
Sun., Sept. 20th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	SJ MASS: † Alozy Spotanski OLL MASS
Mon., Sept. 21st	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: NO MASS
Wed., Sept. 23rd	11:00 AM	SJ: NO MASS
Sat., Sept. 26th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Ken Maschka
Sun., Sept. 27th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	SJ MASS: † Ben Russell OLL MASS
Mon., Sept. 28th	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: NO MASS
Wed., Sept. 30th	11:00 AM	SJ MASS: NO MASS

September 20, 2026



25th Sunday
Ordinary Time

Confessions are heard one half-hour prior to each Mass

	Saturday, September 26, 7 p.m.	Sunday, September 27, 2026, 8 a.m.
Greeters	Rodd Lovitt & David Woitalewicz	Bill & Cindy Ference
Leader:	Jerry Kowalski	Becky Setlik
Lector:	Betty Kuszak	Todd Wardyn
Eucharist Ministers:	Matthew Tuma & Tina Tuma	Mike & Whitney Kaminski
Servers:	Wyatt Trompke & Cooper Spotanski	Lena Kaminski & Dylan Rademacher

Free Support Group for caregivers of family and friends who's loved one have memory issues. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at St. Josaphat's Convent. Questions? Call Sharon at **308-380-9363**.

DCCW Kearney Deanery Fall meeting will be hosted by Elm Creek Immaculate Conception ladies on Saturday morning 9-12 noon **October 3, 2026**. The ladies from Amherst St. John Capistran will furnish the breakfast brunch. Registration is from 9-9:30 a.m. Fee is \$10. A business meeting will follow with parish rep's and commission reports. 10:45 speaker Fr. Raminedi from the catholic parishes of Amherst, Elm Creek, and Overton will speak on the topic "Gifts of Adoration". After a short break a Mass will be said at 11:15. Dismissal will be at 12:00 noon. Please invite all ladies in your parishes. Thank you.

--President Kearney Deanery Imelda Gressley

KC Bingo Dates: Last chance to play bingo for September bingo is the **29th**. Be sure to support this worthy cause for our parish.

OCIA CLASSES--If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the church, please contact the office at (308) 745-0315, so we can register you for an OCIA class.

NO WORK BAZAAR—Envelopes have been placed in the pews for this year's "No Work Bazaar". Parishioners can drop their donations in the offertory collection each week, as long as it is marked "No Work Bazaar" or in the orange bucket in the back of the church. Please have your donations in by October 31, 2026. Thank you for your generous donations to this year's cause.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH & ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL BAZAAR—will be held on Sunday, October 11, 2026. Dinner will be served from 11 am until 1:30 pm. Games for all ages start at 11 am. There will be raffle prizes including a .22 rifle, an Apple IPAD, AIPODS, an electric bike with helmet, a family pass to the Henry Doorly Zoo, a Milwaukee wet/dry vac, a Nebraska quilt, a whole hog, and 10—yes 10, cash drawings. See details on the flyers on the bulletin boards in the back of church.

September 12 & 13, 2026			
	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV	\$ 1,799.00	\$ 1,077.00	\$ 720.00
PLATE	\$ 241.00	\$ -	\$ -
CHILDREN	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -
EFT Received	\$ 146.25	\$ -	\$ 90.00
Candle Money		\$ -	\$ -
Total collected for month	\$ 6,362.50	\$ 1,834.00	\$ 905.00
September Budget	\$ 13,847.00	\$ 5,019.58	\$ 2,735.57
Remaining September Balance	\$ 7,484.50	\$ 3,185.58	\$ 1,830.57

Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist



Saint Matthew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus. He is best known for writing the first Gospel in the New Testament. Before following Jesus, he worked as a tax collector. In those times, tax collectors were often disliked because they worked for the Roman government.

One day, Jesus saw Matthew sitting at his tax booth and called him to follow. He immediately left his job and became one of Jesus' closest followers. St. Matthew witnessed Jesus' teachings, miracles, and resurrection. This changed the course of his life.

After Jesus' death and resurrection, Matthew traveled to spread the message of Jesus. He shared the Good News with many people. Matthew's Gospel focuses on Jesus as the Messiah and emphasizes His teachings.

Saint Matthew's life shows the power of answering God's call. He went from a tax collector to one of the great evangelists. His feast day is celebrated on September 21. St. Matthew is the patron saint of tax collectors, bankers, and accountants.