

Sunday, September 8
 8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
 10:30 a.m. Chad Kohout
**Monday, September 9-Tuesday, September 10
 No Daily Mass**
 Wednesday, September 11
 6:30 a.m. Eleanor Walsh
 Thursday, September 12
 6:30 a.m. Frances Walsh
 Friday, September 13
 6:30 a.m. Frances Walsh
 Saturday, September 14
 8:00 a.m. Frances Walsh
 Sunday, September 15
 8:00 a.m. T. Fred Ragland
 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish

Collection September 1, 2019

Envelopes	\$2596.00
Plate	\$455.22
Youth	\$4.00
Total	\$3055.22

Looking for a simple way to help feed the homeless? Cedars Street Outreach program has a need for individually packaged snacks (granola bars, fruits snacks, etc.) Bring donations to the PowerSurge/PowerUp meeting Sept 11 or put in container by entrance of church through Sept.

PowerSurge (PK - 5th) and PowerUp (6th - 8th) meet to have FUN with their FAITH!! Meals are provided starting at 5:45pm and fun lasts until 7:00 pm. Mark your calendars: **Sept 11**, Oct 16, Nov 13, Jan 22, Feb 19, (youth masses Sunday Feb 23), and April 1. Contact Renee with questions reneeandneil@hotmail.com

New Liturgical Committee: In order to increase reverence and love for the Mass, the great prayer of the Church, the committee will promote vibrant, faith-filled liturgies for the people of God at St James. If you are a musician, acolyte, lector, altar decorator, planner, or just love God and the people in the pew, contact Diana McCown at 402-432-7099

Menopause Info Session. Oct. 1, Michele Chambers will speak about the health, hormonal, and charting implications of menopause. Event is free, pre-registration requested at lincolndiocese.regfox.com/menopause Questions? Call NFP Office- 402-473-0630.

Directory-Thank you to all the parishioners who participated in the photo session for the new parish directory. There are still a few slots open. Go to the St. James website (www.stjamescortland.com) and click on the sign up link. A very special thank you to all who have helped in any way to make this a successful parish event.

Bake Sale, Sunday, September 22nd after both masses. St. Ann Circle is hosting the event.

“Kick-Off to Sunday School Breakfast”-Sunday, September 15th. Please join in for good food and fellowship after both masses in parish hall. Free Will Donation. Proceeds will benefit the CCD Program.

FATHER/SON PROGRAM “In His Image” for sons (10-14) and fathers, will be held Sunday, **September 22, 2019** from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up and becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$20 per father/son or \$30 per family. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/father-son-program> Questions, call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net

Pro-Life Banquet and Conference - The Nebraska Catholic Bishops invite you to join pro-life leaders across the state for the annual Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet and Conference: "Abound in Hope," this September 20-21. The Banquet on Friday, September 20 will feature keynote speaker Greg Schleppebach, who will help us celebrate 50 years of work on behalf of life by the Nebraska Catholic Conference and look ahead to the hard work still to come. Saturday, September 21 will feature many "reasons for hope": in health care, community life, ecumenical partnerships, and pro-life political advocacy. Visit necatholic.org/ or call 402.477.7517 for more information and to register.

CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITYCARE SYSTEM is a natural system that allows users to learn about their fertility and in with NaProTECHNOLOGY, treat many health conditions without the use of chemicals, devices, or surgery. NaPro TECHNOLOGY identifies problems with fertility and helps correct the condition, maintain human ecology, and sustain procreative potential. For more info, contact Kealey Butler at kealey.butler@gmail.com or 402-601-7529.

2-Day UNBOUND Conference: teaches 5 simple “keys” to break the chains of emotional, spiritual and mental bondage. St Leo Church Hall, Palmyra, NE, Friday, Oct 18, 6-9pm & Saturday, Oct 19, 8am-5pm. The event is free but registration is required. Please register by going to: lincolndiocese.org/unbound

Healing Hearts Support Sessions for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. The sessions will be held on six weekly Tuesday evenings beginning **September 24, 2019, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**, at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620.

Servant Workshop: A 3 part series will be given by Matt Simmons, Director of Evangelization & Spiritual Formation, on **Sept. 9th, Oct. 7th & Nov. 4th, 2019** at John XXIII Diocesan Center from 6:30-8:30pm. The workshop is intended for anyone involved in apostolic work, i.e., St. Vincent de Paul society, Catholic school teachers, Marriage Encounter, etc. and is designed to help you manifest Jesus more fully as you serve the people of God. The workshop is free and registration is kindly requested. For topic details and to register visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/03-oe-servant-workshop-fall-2019>. Questions? Call 402-473-0615 or email Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net

Prayer Request – We pray with special love and concern for all those who are ill, asking the Lord for his consoling grace to strengthen the sick in times of trial: Bob Rahorst, Wes Springer, Adam Schaaf, Melanie Frohberg, Dan Benes, Evelyn Yates, Vaughn Domeier, Peter James Chavez, Susie Templeman, Ben Amen, Lori Beel, Michelle Walker, Debra Cumro, Willow Marinovich, Sandi Sapp, Shane Searcey, Rochelle Hudson.

Pray for the Dead– Let us remember in our prayers: David L. Peters, Elvira Seeley, Chad Kohout, Father Zitek, Tawny Zach, Sharon Hudson, Lucille Onisk, Vic Hudson, Robert Eickmeier, Fr. Casey Porada, Fr. James Cooper, Kenneth Barnhill. **Prayers for those serving our country in harm’s way.**

		9/8/2019	9/15/2019	9/22/2019
		Twenty-third Sunday of OT	Twenty-fourth Sunday of OT	Twenty-fifth Sunday of OT
8:00 AM	Reader	Larry Etmund	Janet Ragland	Jerry Lentfer
	Acolyte	Chris Hytrek	Tony Sullivan	Pat Milke
	Server 1	Dawson Burenheide	Michael Bean	Zach Van Brocklin
	Server 2	Eli Van Brocklin	Austin Oelke	Eli Van Brocklin
	Greeters	Slim & Janet Ragland	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt
	Usher 1	Cam Oelke	Cam Oelke	Blain Johnson
	Usher 2	Robert Braden	Robert Braden	John Vrbka
	Offertory	Jeff Sullivan Family	Garret & Susan Van Brocklin Family	Tony & Michelle Sullivan
10:30 AM	Reader	Diana McCown	Shirley Yates	Frank Pytlik
	Acolyte	Myron Heusinkvelt	Scott Osterhaus	Ron Boden
	Server 1	Trey Yates	Marcus Osterhaus	Sam Troxel
	Server 2	Connor Price	Grant Ehmen	Brady Troxel
	Greeters	Don & Julie Hinds	Don & Julie Hinds	Neil & Renee Dominy
	Usher 1	Scott Clements	Don Hinds	Don Hinds
	Usher 2	Karl Gramann	Roger Miller	Roger Miller
	Offertory	Neil & Renee Dominy	Ron & Lori Eisenbarth Family	Sara Flanagan Family
Collection	Kassie E. / Susan Van Brocklin	Julie Pfingsten / Lauren Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	

Notes from Father Walsh:

I will be out of the parish on Monday and Tuesday of this week, attending a conference in Wichita. Thus, there will be no morning Mass on Monday and Tuesday, September 9 and 10.

My sincere thanks to Ray and Joan Vrbka and Lori, Blain and Jake Johnson for their help in removing five dead trees from the property on Labor Day. If you find irony in the timing, I'm laughing with you too. God bless their work. We started at 8am and completed the work by around 11am. A few aches and pains the next day, but it wasn't too bad.

Discussions have been underway since my arrival in the parish about space needs. At this point, we're still discussing. Brad Wilken has agreed to help us do some of the preparatory work that is part of all capital improvement projects. He will make a presentation at the Parish Council meeting on September 25. In the meantime, the Council voted to begin building our savings and directed that \$5,000 be sent monthly to our savings account with the Diocese. The Diocese requires we have 50% of the estimated cost of major capital projects in hand at the time we seek permission to do a project, and 60% of the cost in pledges. So, this is something we can do immediately, and we're blessed because of the generosity of our parishioners.

The last weekend of September has been designated by Bishop Conley as the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations Sunday. The cost to educate our 38 seminarians this year is approximately \$1,500,000. The Bishop's appeal is seeking to raise \$800,000 through this appeal. Each parish is assigned a goal, and our goal is \$4,710. Let's just plan to make it \$5,000 and help the Bishop with this important work. Cards will be distributed on the weekend of September 21/22. I'll preach on the appeal that weekend. Donations can be given through the rest of the year, but it is best if we wrap this up in a few weeks. I appreciate your support.

St James Parish Council Meeting Minutes for August 28, 2019

In attendance: Father Walsh, Ray Vrbka, Karl Gramann, Pat Milke, Rosie VerMaas, Jenny Oelke and Grace Benes. The meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: Rosie gave an update on the church directory. There have been 90 families registered to have their pictures taken. Elizabeth Milke started taking pictures Wednesday, August 21st.

Father Walsh is working with Father Michael Morin on a date for the mortgage retirement celebration.

Pat Milke is checking on prices for a steel replacement door for the link. He wants it installed before winter.

The non-working refrigerator in the church hall has been replaced by a new refrigerator from Schaeffer's. They gave us a discount. Joe Vinton picked up the new one for us and Schaeffer's took the old one.

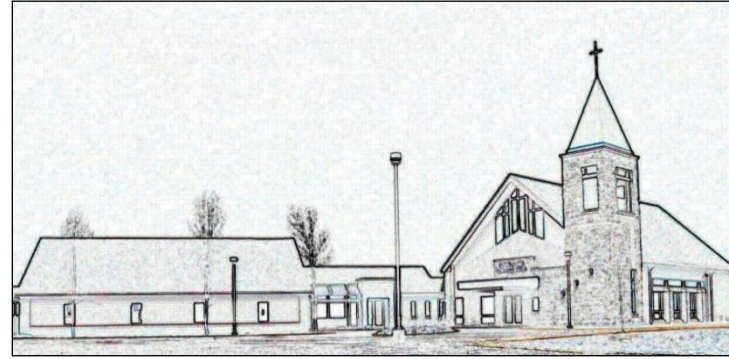
New Business: Jenny Oelke presented the financial statement and the 2019-2020 budget. Pat Milke made a motion to approve and Karl Gramann seconded the motion to approve the financial statement. The vote of approval was unanimous. Ray Vrbka made a motion and Karl Gramann seconded the motion to approve the budget. The vote of approval was unanimous.

Brad Wilken has accepted the position to head up the committee for expanding the parish facility for additional classroom space. Brad was unable to attend the meeting. He plans to attend the October meeting to discuss options with the council.

Ray Vrbka made a motion to add \$5,000.00 a month to the building fund. Karl Gramann seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The diocese requires that the parish raise half of the cost of building and have pledges for 60% before they will loan the money to complete the project.

Father Walsh will contact some parishioners about accepting the operations position.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer. The next meeting will be September 25, 2019. Respectfully submitted:
Grace Benes, Secretary



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Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.”

Luke 14:27

Sep 9 Mon: **Peter Claver, p, r, ms M**
Colossians 1: 24 – 2: 3; Luke 6: 6-11

Sep 10 Tue: *Colossians 2: 6-15; Luke 6: 12-19*

Sep 11 Wed: *Colossians 3: 1-11; Luke 6: 20-26*

Sep 12 Thu: *Colossians 3: 12-17; Luke 6: 27-38*

Sep 13 Fri: **John Chrysostom, bp, dr M**
1 Timothy 1: 1-2, 12-14; Luke 6: 39-42

Sep 14 Sat: **EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS F**
Numbers 21: 4b-9; Philippians 2: 6-11; John 3: 13-17

Sep 15 SUN: **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14; 1 Timothy 1: 12-17; Luke 15: 1-32

Mass Schedule
Sundays: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays: 6:30 a.m.
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m.

Confessions
30 minutes before Sunday Masses
And Holy Days Masses
20 minutes before daily Masses
And by appointment

CCD
Sundays 9:05-10:20 a.m.
See calendar for dates