

Sunday, November 17	8:00 a.m. Tawny Zach
	10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
Monday, November 18	6:30 a.m. Rev. Grell
Tuesday, November 19	6:30 a.m. Marcia & Joseph Vinton Family
Wednesday, November 20	6:30 a.m. +Phillip & Dorothy Shedeed
Thursday, November 21	6:30 a.m. +Joseph & Martha Vinton
Friday, November 22	6:30 a.m. Priests of St. Theresa
Saturday, November 23	8:00 a.m. Deceased Ray & JoAnn Vrbka family members
Sunday, November 24	8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
	10:30 a.m. Kathleen Gramann

Collection November 10, 2019

Envelopes	\$2611.00
Plate	\$94.50
Youth	\$4.00
Total	\$ 2709.50

Christmas Program/Potluck will be Sunday, December 15th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please mark your calendar!

"That Man Is You" a spiritual series for men of all ages is taking place on Saturday mornings at 6:30 AM in the parish hall. We watch a 45-minute inspirational DVD and then spend 30 minutes in discussion. Everyone is invited and rolls and coffee are provided. We will meet every Saturday thru May so attend whenever you are able.

Tree of Warmth Project -Collecting hats, scarfs, mittens, gloves, socks, coats and outer wear for the those in need. Gently used coats and boots can be donated. The tree will be out during November. Power Surge and Power Up are sponsoring this event and donating collected items to Catholic Social Services. Clip items to the tree or lay them in the crib next to the tree. Thank you for your generosity.

Dates to remember:

- February 2nd: First Confession
- April 19th: First Communion
- April 27th: Confirmation @ 7:00pm

IT'S TIME TO JOIN THE CHOIR! -My friend, St Augustine, said, 'Those who sing, pray twice.' The St James Choir sings at 10:30 on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month. Practice is at 7pm on the last Thursday of the month. To join, text or call Mary Rohrer (309-370-0367), or Diana McCown (402-432-7099). The Holy Spirit loves you and thanks you, and so does the St James' Family.

Child and Parent Confirmation Retreat

The goal of this retreat is to help young people and their parents to grow in their familiarity with the Holy Spirit and His gifts and to prepare them to receive the evangelical mission. Confirmed for Mission Retreat is a day-long retreat on February 8 at North American Martyrs Parish in Lincoln. To register: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/05-ore-confirmed-for-mission-2020-spring-retreat>

"Personal Testimonies on How an Encounter with God Leads to a Mission" is the theme for the Catholic Coffee House on Sunday evenings at Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln, NE from 7-8:30pm. The presenters are: November 10, 2019, Dr. Matthew Hecker; CAO of Education, December 15, 2019, Lori Weskamp, Unbound Prayer Team member; January 19, 2020, Bob Sullivan, Attorney/Apologist; and February 16, 2020, Diane Reiber, Artist/Author. There is no fee or registration. Questions? call 402-473-0615

GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT

THIS CHRISTMAS: Sign up for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day! For more infor, call Pat & Janelle Benson (308) 940-1105 Or visit WWME.org **Upcoming dates:**

February 7-9: Ramada Inn, Kearney, NE

August 28-30: Quality Inn, Ogallala, NE

October 2-4: Immaculate Monastery, Norfolk, NE

Deadline to register is 1 month prior to the date of the weekend

Holy Hour-Cathedral Parish is sponsoring a family-friendly holy hour on December 8th from 4-5 pm. All ages welcome (seriously, even the loud ones). Adoration, confession, music, and reflection time will be provided. Spend some time with our Lord in the busy Advent season!

Lecture #2 of the Love and Responsibility Series

will be Tues. Nov. 19th at 7 pm at the UNL Newman Center. Presenters will be Drs. Alex and Jonathan Marcotte discussing emotional intimacy. Event is free and geared toward married/engaged couples. More info on the Family Life Facebook page or search "Special Events" on the Diocesan website, lincolndiocese.org

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: Jan 22, Feb 19, (youth masses Sunday Feb 23), and April 1. Contact Renee with questions reneeandneil@hotmail.com

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: Deborah Hestermann, Doug Parde, Bob Rahorst, Wes Springer, Melanie Frohberg, Dan Benes, Evelyn Yates.

Pray for the Dead– Let us remember in our prayers: Wesley Dorn, David L. Peters, Elvira Seeley, Chad Kohout, Father Zitek, Tawny Zach, Sharon Hudson, Lucille Onisk, Vic Hudson. **Prayers for those serving our country in harm's way.**

		11/17/2019	11/24/2019	12/1/2019
		Thirty-third Sunday of OT	Thirty-fourth Sunday of OT	First Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM	Reader	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Tony Sullivan	Pat Milke	Chris Hytrek
	Server 1	Austin Oelke	Eli Van Brocklin	Michael Bean
	Server 2	Hayden Nielson	Zach Van Brocklin	Austin Oelke
	Greeters	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt	Ray & JoAnn Vrbka	Ray & JoAnn Vrbka
	Usher 1	Mike Egger	Mike Egger	Cam Oelke
	Usher 2	Mike Mitchell	Mike Mitchell	Robert Braden
	Offertory	Grace Benes	Nicole & Steve Boon Family	Rick & Linda Bouc Family
10:30 AM	Reader	Frank Pytlik	Karl Gramann	Diana McCown
	Acolyte	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt
	Server 1	Brady Troxel	Nate Eisenbarth	Trey Yates
	Server 2	Wyatt Fortner	Coby Otto	Grant Ehmen
	Greeters	Neil & Renee Dominy	Neil & Renee Dominy	Denise & Scott Clements
	Usher 1	Ed Zach	Roger Miller	Roger Miller
	Usher 2	Scott Clements	Ron Boden	Ron Boden
	Offertory	Theron & Stacey Troxel Family	Jerry Vrbka Family	Ed Zach Family
Collection	Kassie E. / Susan Van Brocklin	Julie Pflingsten / Laureen Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	

The annual Mass of the Holy Innocents will be celebrated on Saturday, December 28th. All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 19th. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.

Notes from Fr. Walsh

Thank you for all the planning and preparation going on behind the scenes to prepare our parish for the celebration of Christmas. Several groups are working, preparing, organizing. I think our Lord will be pleased with our birthday celebration of love. Keep up the good work! NOTE: the CCD children will be using some of the CCD classroom time in the next few weeks to prepare for the Christmas program on December 15.

I am at North American Martyrs this weekend, offering a stewardship homily. Fr. Connor has asked me to focus particularly on the tithing element of stewardship. My homily is entitled, Show me the Money! Okay, it isn't but that's pretty funny!

Let me share a few ideas with you that are part of my homily.

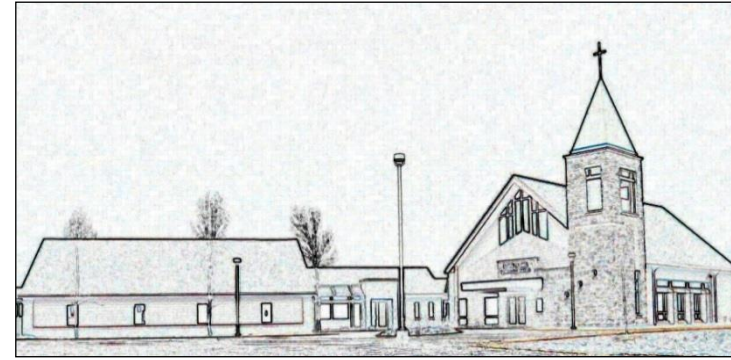
1. Think tithe not dollars. Remember the widow in the gospel who gave a few small coins which the Lord said was "everything she had." It was the greatest gift of all. It isn't the amount that we give that counts. It's the gift we give in proportion to what we have. The Bible says: tithe, which is a gift of 10%.

2. Start small. Most of us, if we have no experience in living the tithe, cannot give 10% today. Most of us don't have the flexibility to take 10% of the family income and start giving it away. But we can do something. So, start small. Can you give 2% of your income? How about 1%--or even half of a percent. Suppose you make \$60,000 a year. 10% would be \$6,000. 5% would be \$3,000. 1% would be \$600. ½ a percent would be \$300. Can you give \$300? Use the great Matthew Kelly line: I can do that. We can do that. And that's where we begin.

3. Build annually. Add a half or a whole percent each year. You'll be surprised how easy this is, and how fruitfully the Lord will respond to your goodness. Which brings me to my last point.

4. Find security. I have never met anyone who went broke because of their charity. You cannot outdo the goodness of God. So, don't worry about hurting yourself financially if you are charitable. In fact, if you want financial stability and security, live charity.

God bless you!



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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

November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

“You will be hated by all because of my name,
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.”

Luke 21:17-18

Nov 18 Mon:

1 Maccabees 1: 10-15. 41-43. 54-57. 62-63; Luke 18:35-43.

Nov 19 Tue:

2 Maccabees 6: 18-31; Luke 19: 1-10

Nov 20 Wed:

2 Maccabees 7: 1. 20-31; Luke 19: 11-28

Nov 21 Thu:

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary M

1 Maccabees 2: 15-29; Luke 19: 41-44

Nov 22 Fri:

Cecilia, v, mt M

1 Maccabees 4: 3-37. 52-59; Luke 19: 45-48

Nov 23 Sat:

1 Maccabees 6: 1-13; Luke 20: 27-40

Nov 24 SUN:

CHRIST THE KING S (Thirty-fourth in Ordinary Time)

2 Samuel 5: 1-3; Colossians 1: 12-20; Luke 23: 35-43