

Sunday, January 5
8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
10:30 a.m. +Alice Vanderhook
Monday, January 6
6:30 a.m. Rev. Jerome Pokomy
Tuesday, January 7
6:30 a.m. +Andrew & Corine Moze
Wednesday, January 8
6:30 a.m. +Frances D Hottovy
Thursday, January 9
6:30 a.m. +Dan Schmidt
Friday, January 10
6:30 a.m All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, January 11
8:00 a.m. Susie Templeman
Sunday, January 12
8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
10:30 a.m. Tawny Zach

Collection December 29, 2019

Envelopes	\$1501.00
Plate	\$468.17
Youth	\$0.00
Total	\$1969.17

Knights of Columbus meeting is the 3rd Wednesday of the month Jan, 15th mass at 6:30pm, rosary at 7:00, and meeting at 7:30 pm.

		1/5/2020	1/12/2020	1/19/2020
		The Epiphany of the Lord	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Reader	Jerry Lentfer	Larry Etmund	Chris Hytrek
	Acolyte	Kurt Larkins	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan
	Server 1	Dawson Burenheide	Eli Van Brocklin	Michael Bean
	Server 2	Hayden Huenink	Zach Van Brocklin	Hayden Nielson
	Greeters	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt	Ray & JoAnn Vrbka
	Usher 1	Mike Egger	Cam Oelke	Cam Oelke
	Usher 2	Mike Mitchell	Robert Braden	Robert Braden
	Offertory	Tim & Molly Holloway	Chris & Staci Hytrek Family	Kurt & Amy Larkins Family
10:30 AM	Reader	Shirley Yates	Diana McCown	Karl Gramann
	Acolyte	Ron Eisenbarth	Scott Osterhaus	Ron Boden
	Server 1	Nate Eisenbarth	Marcus Osterhaus	Trey Yates
	Server 2	Wyatt Fortner	Grant Ehmen	Connor Price
	Greeters	Don & Julie Hinds	Neil & Renee Dominy	Neil & Renee Dominy
	Usher 1	Roger Miller	Roger Miller	Don Hinds
	Usher 2	Ron Boden	Ron Boden	Scott Clements
	Offertory	Sara Flanagan Family	Karl & Mary Gramann Family	Myron & Jeanette Heusinkvelt
Collection	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel	Kassie E. / Susan Van Brocklin	

"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.

"Personal Testimonies on How an Encounter with God Leads to a Mission" The personal testimonies for January and February will now be at Dawson Hall at John XXIII Building, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln, NE from 7-8:30pm. The presenters are: January 19, 2020, Bob Sullivan, Attorney/Apologist; and February 16, 2020, Diane Reiber, Artist/Author. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0615 for questions.

GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT: Sign up for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. For more info, 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 *

Parishioner Lori Johnson will present a slide show of her Marian Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes on Sunday, January 19th after the 8am mass in the parish hall. Coffee and rolls provided. Everyone is welcome!

Spiritual Warfare series: A 3-part series will be given by Matt Simmons, Director of Spiritual Formation, on Spiritual Warfare at John XXIII Diocesan Center from 6:30-8:30pm. Series will be January 21, Our Identity in Christ; February 18, Battleground of Our Minds; and March 24, Our Weapons for Spiritual Warfare. The workshop is free and registration is kindly requested. For topic details and to register please visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/03oe-spiritual-warfare>. Questions? Call 402-473-0615 or email Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net

January is Birthright Month....the crib will be set up at the entrance of church throughout the month to be filled with infant supplies and needs. All items will be donated to the Beatrice Pregnancy Center.

Thank you in advance for your generosity for helping those in need.

Stand up for Life at the 46th annual Nebraska Walk for Life, Saturday, Jan. 18th starting at 10:00 am on the North side of the State Capitol in Lincoln. Free, Family friendly, peaceful witness against abortion. We march 7 blocks to the UN-L Student Union where Keynote will be at Noon. Hear Jennifer & Jeff Christie's story about beauty which arose from Jennifer being violently raped on a business trip. They said Yes to life for their son. Pro-life info tables, baked goods & hot beverages at the Union. Event concludes by 1:00 pm. Baked goods can be brought to south steps of Union starting at 8:00 am on the 18th or by prior arrangement. Call Nebraska Right to Life for details: 402-318-8291 nebraskartl@gmail.com

Retrouvaille In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse? Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. For more information about February 14-16 2020 to register call 1-800-470-2230 Or www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up January 31st 2020

SCRIP Is Available Every Sunday —We have lots of gift cards to Target, Barnes & Noble, Walmart, Restaurants, Super Saver, etc. We are considering ending the SCRIP program – so you would be helping us out by depleting our stock! A small percent is earned on each gift card that in turns benefits St. James.

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: Sandi Sapp, Rod TeKolste, 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.

Prayers for those serving our country in harm's way.

Notes from Fr. Walsh

Epiphany Memories. My Dad resisted the secular culture around us, whenever the opportunity presented itself, and Christmas was one of those times. He disliked the commercialization of Christmas, and saw in the gifts of the Magi the Christian practice of giving Christmas gifts. He wanted us to celebrate Epiphany (January 6) as our gift exchange day, not December 25. The problem? Twelve children (eleven living) who had dreamed about jolly old St. Nicholas, and Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer. We won, but he tried, and instead of abolishing Christmas gift giving, we celebrated Epiphany as well. He and Mom could hit some after Christmas sales, and get each of us a few things, and especially even out any oversights that Santa made when visiting us the night before Christmas. We might be sporting a new pair of pants at school in mid-January, and be asked, "Where did you get that?" We learned to respond, "The Epiphany Camel." We kind of felt sorry for others who didn't know the joy of this generous beast of burden.

One Epiphany, Dad was displeased with our behavior. There must have been about 8 kids or so at the time, and it was the school break, and you know what happens when kids are too long indoors with nothing to do. Dad came home from work, with two large sacks of unwrapped gifts. He displayed them to us, and told us that this was what he had planned for us, but because of our bad behavior, we weren't going to receive them. He packed them back in the sack and took them down the street to a poor family. Let's see, that was probably about 1963 or 1964. I can still remember that day. It became part of the annual reminder of good behavior: the Camel was watching!

Epiphany lived on, past our childhood. It became the practice of my brothers and sisters, once they were married and raising their children, to have Christmas at home like we did when we were young. That was a great gift to their kids, but it meant that Christmas was kind of lonely for Mom and Dad and the two unmarried kids in the family, my sister Lil and me. Epiphany came to the rescue. Since it is always the first Sunday after the New Year, and much of the Christmas rush is over, Epiphany became the day when the family would gather with Mom and Dad and celebrate Christmas together. Epiphany gift giving became Mom and Dad's special day to give gifts to their grandchildren (with the help of elves Lil and Joe!). What a delightful celebration. God bless Dad and Mom for helping us understand Epiphany and celebrate it together as a family. Dad won!

Surviving Divorce program- Divorced? Come find comfort, counsel, hope and healing consistent with Catholic Church teachings. The twelve-week video series & facilitator led Surviving Divorce program begins on February 3rd, 7-9pm, at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. A suggested donation of \$50 covers the cost of the program and includes the Surviving Divorce personal guide and all materials. Classes are kept small and may be registered for at the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 or catholicflo@cdolinc.net

Joy & Hope Anniversary Recognition Mass and reception for all married couples will be held Sunday, February 9, 2020 at the regular 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. We kindly request that all couples register with the Family Life Office, however, special recognition will be given to those couples celebrating 10, 25, 40 and 50 years or more. Suggested donation of \$10 per couple is appreciated! Family guests are welcome. Call the Family Life Office at (402) 473-0620 to register.

EMMAUS INSTITUTE TO HOST WINTER SEMINAR -In recognition of the recently declared "Sunday of the Word of God" on the third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies will host a half-day seminar on Saturday, January 25, entitled, "'He Opened to Us the Scriptures' (Luke 24:32): Celebrating the Sunday of the Word of God." The event will take place from 8:30 to noon at 3901 Normal Blvd, Suite 101. The seminar cost of \$30 includes handout materials and light refreshments. For additional information and to register, go to www.emmausinstitute.net.



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January 5, 2020 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

"They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

Matthew 2:11

Jan 6 Mon:	<i>1 John 3: 22 -- 4: 6; Matthew 4: 12-17. 23-25</i>
Jan 7 Tue:	<i>1 John 4: 7-10; Mark 6: 34-44</i>
Jan 8 Wed:	<i>1 John 4: 11-18; Mark 6: 45-52</i>
Jan 9 Thu:	<i>1 John 4: 19 -- 5: 4; Luke 4: 14-22</i>
Jan 10 Fri:	<i>1 John 5: 5-13; Luke 5: 12-16</i>
Jan 11 Sat:	<i>1 John 5: 14-21; John 3: 22-30</i>
Jan 12 SUN:	BAPTISM OF THE LORD <i>Isaiah 42: 1-4. 6-7; Acts 10: 34-38; Matthew 3: 13-17</i>

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