

Sunday, February 2
8:00 a.m. +Alice Vanderhook
10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish
Monday, February 3
6:30 a.m. Rev. Paul Witt
Tuesday, February 4
6:30 a.m. Betty Yonkey
Wednesday, February 5
6:30 a.m. Betty Yonkey
Thursday, February 6
6:30 a.m. Betty Yonkey
Friday, February 7
6:30 a.m. Betty Yonkey
Saturday, February 8
8:00 a.m. Betty Yonkey
Sunday, February 9
8:00 a.m. Tawny Zach
10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. James Parish

**Collection January 26, 2020**

Envelopes	\$2016.00
Plate	\$404.25
Youth	\$3.00
Total	\$2423.25

**World Marriage Day Dinner**-February 16th.  
Dinner at in the Parish Hall – an evening meal is planned for all married couples...Great food, fellowship and FUN! Hope you plan to attend. There is a sign-up sheet in church.

		2/2/2020	2/9/2020	2/16/2020
		Presentation of the Lord	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Reader	Janet Ragland	Jerry Lentfer	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Kurt Larkins	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan
	Server 1	Eli Van Brocklin	Dawson Burenheide	Austin Oelke
	Server 2	Zach Van Brocklin	Michael Bean	Hayden Huenink
	Greeters	Cam & Jenny Oelke	Cam & Jenny Oelke	Oren & Genny Heusinkvelt
	Usher 1	Blain Johnson	Cam Oelke	Cam Oelke
	Usher 2	John Vrbka	Mike Mitchell	Mike Mitchell
	Offertory	Chris & Mike Mitchell	Cam & Jenny Oelke	Scott & Vici Osterhaus 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	Denise & Scott Clements	Myron & Jeanette Heusinkvelt	Myron & Jeanette Heusinkvelt
	Usher 1	Ed Zach	Ed Zach	Roger Miller
	Usher 2	Karl Gramann	Karl Gramann	Ron Boden
	Offertory	Roger & Lillian Miller	Jeff & Jennifer Oberg Family	Lindsay Peterson Family
Collection	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhman / Theron Troxel	Kassie E. / Susan Van Brocklin	

**Spiritual Warfare series:** A 3-part series will be given by Matt Simmons on Spiritual Warfare at John XXIII Diocesan Center from 6:30-8:30pm. Series will be January 21, February 18, and March 24,. The workshop is free and registration is requested. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/03oe-spiritual-warfare>. Questions? Call 402-473-0615 or email [Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net](mailto:Annette-Wemhoff@cdolinc.net)

**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. Suggested donation of \$50. Register at the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 or [catholicflo@cdolinc.net](mailto:catholicflo@cdolinc.net)

**“Finding the Face of Christ in the Suffering Church”**

All are welcome to attend this talk given by Fr. Kilcawley 7 pm on Sunday February 9th, 2020 at St. John the Apostle Church. What happened? Where do we go from here? How can Catholics strengthen their faith and the church during this troubling time? We know Christ is the answer. Fr Kilcawley will help us work through the questions. We hope to see you there. Sponsored by the St. John’s Ignite Evangelization Team.

**Knights of Columbus and PCCW Scholarships -** Saint James Knights of Columbus and PCCW scholarship applications are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. All graduating high school seniors who are active members of ST James parish are encouraged to apply. Completed applications are due back by April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**MAGNIFICAT WINTER PRAYER MEAL** Saturday, February 8, 9:30 a.m., Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln, NE. Special guest speaker is Diocesan Priest and Pastor at Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Father Justin Wylie. Be inspired by Father Wylie’s Magnificat, his Testimony of how God called an Attorney to the Priesthood, and a South African to Lincoln Nebraska through the Power of His Holy Spirit! “Come and Glorify the Lord with us-let us together extol His Holy Name! (Ps 34:4) Register early by sending \$25 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. (students \$10) Deadline is January 31, no walk-ins. For info, call or text Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or call Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905

**Victim Assistance Coordinator** The Diocese of Lincoln is seeking a Licensed Psychologist (preferred) or a LIMHP professional as a contract employee for the position of Victim Assistance Coordinator. The Victim Assistance Coordinator is responsible for initiating and overseeing the Church’s response to victims of sexual abuse by Church personnel. The candidate must possess excellent clinical interview skills, writing and record keeping skills, a capacity to work within the Church system, and empathy for abuse victims. Submit cover letter and CV to Marsha Bartek, Human Resource Manager, Diocese of Lincoln, 3400 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln NE 68506-6125. Deadline to file applications is February 12, 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.

**Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies** will offer four, new, ten-week courses in its spring term, beginning March 2. Take a fast-paced journey through the whole Bible in one quarter; meet Christ intimately through a study of the four Gospels; gain a greater familiarity with the Bible by grasping the essential keys to its study and understanding; or examine every line in the Nicene Creed with a view to appreciating what Christians believe and why it matters. For all the details and to register, please visit [www.emmausinstitute.net](http://www.emmausinstitute.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.

**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: Feb 19, (youth masses Sunday Feb 23), and April 1. Contact Renee with questions [reneeandneil@hotmail.com](mailto: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 Father Walsh** - I was watching an early morning news cast on Friday, and the show featured Terry Bradshaw, Joe Montana and Brett Favre. Everyone was laughing and enjoying the conversations and stories and it reminded me: have fun on Sunday. Enjoy the game. We need a little fun in our life. I hope your team wins. I'm confident mine will!

I received news this week that Bishop Bruskewitz will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our children this year in the absence of Bishop Conley. The confirmation is scheduled for Monday, April 27 at 7pm. It will be nice to have Bishop Bruskewitz with us, and I am grateful for his kindness.

Plan to celebrate your marriage and love with the World Marriage Day Dinner on Sunday evening, February 16. The dinner is held in our parish hall. Great food, nice wine, babysitting if needed. Let's get together and celebrate the gift of married love!

Thank you to the parents, teachers and young people for the work they did in preparing for First Confessions. God is so good, and it gives Him pleasure when we come to Him for mercy. I hope the children will know that this gift is now available to them all the days of their life and that they will be able to approach Him with great confidence and trust. Mercy is God's life and love in action and confession is the door to His heart.

God bless you!

Fr. Walsh

**St James Parish Council** met January 22, 2020. The meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes of the October meeting were read.

**Old Business:** Pat Milke gave an update on the replacement of the link door. The new flag pole is up at the cemetery. Joe Delgado will pour a cement base around the pole.

**New Business:** Pat Milke said some siding above the roofline on the church needs replacing. Ray Vrbka reported that we have more trees dying that will need to be removed. Jenny Oelke said her husband has access to get new trees. Father Walsh and Pat will do a property walk thru in the spring to see what needs repairing. Jenny Oelke gave the financial report for the end of the year. Fifteen parishioners have signed up for Faith Direct.

Father reviewed the Christmas season Masses. The Christmas Eve Mass was very well attended and very positive comments were received. The Midnight Mass and Christmas Day Mass were each attended by about 75 to 100 people. The Christmas collection was down some. This collection offsets our diocesan assessment for the Retired Priests fund.

Rosie commented that the surplices worn by the altar boys for the Christmas Eve Mass were beautiful and thought we should purchase 4 of them for special occasion Masses. The ones worn by the altar boys Christmas Eve belong to Father Walsh.

Pat Milke suggested we purchase new baskets for collections during Mass as the ones we currently use need replacing. Father Walsh said he would check into this.

Brad Wilken attended the meeting to present ideas for going forward with a building project to meet the expanding needs of our parish community. Fr. Walsh will work with Brad to choose a time to initiate this process. In the meantime, parishioners are encouraged to begin thinking, praying and talking about the three questions.

Father asked for input for the Lent and Easter season Masses. Ash Wednesday services will be 6:30 AM and 7:00 PM. Stations of the Cross will be the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 P.M. Holy Thursday Mass will be followed by Adoration in the parish hall "Garden of Gethsemane". Father Walsh will check with the McCowns to see if they would like to hold the Seder Supper on Palm Sunday. Pat Milke asked if there would be an adult education program during Lent. The meeting was adjourned with prayer. Grace Benes, Secretary.



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### February 2, 2020

## PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

“Because he himself was tested through what he suffered,  
he is able to help those who are being tested.”

*Hebrews 2:18*

<b>Feb 3 Mon:</b>	<i>2 Samuel 15: 13-14, 30; 16: 5-13; Mark 5: 1-20</i>
<b>Feb 4 Tue:</b>	<i>2 Samuel 18: 9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19: 3; Mark 5: 21-43</i>
<b>Feb 5 Wed:</b>	<b>Agatha, v, mt M</b> <i>2 Samuel 24: 2, 9-17; Mark 6: 1-6</i>
<b>Feb 6 Thu:</b>	<b>Paul Miki, p, mt, &amp; co., mts M</b> <i>1 Kings 2: 1-4, 10-12; Mark 6: 7-13</i>
<b>Feb 7 Fri:</b>	<i>Sirach 47: 2-11; Mark 6: 14-29</i>
<b>Feb 8 Sat:</b>	<i>1 Kings 3: 4-13; Mark 6: 30-34</i>
<b>Feb 9 SUN:</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Isaiah 58: 7-10; 1 Corinthians 2: 1-5; Matthew 5: 13-16</i>