

**Mass Schedule**

Monday, 6:30am  
 Tuesday, 6:30am  
 Wednesday, 6:30pm  
 Thursday, 6:30am  
 Friday, 8:00am  
 Saturday, 8:00am  
**Saturday, 5pm**  
**Sunday, 8am**  
**Sunday, 10am**

**Confessions**

30 minutes before Sunday and Holy Days  
 Masses  
 20 minutes before Daily Masses  
 And by appointment

**Exposed Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursday, 6pm to 9pm.  
**Benediction** at 8:50pm.



# Saint James Catholic Church

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## August 23, 2020

### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You are Peter,  
 and upon this rock I will build my church”

*Matthew 16:18*

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| <b>Aug 24 Mon:</b> | <b>Bartholomew, ap F</b><br><i>Rv 21: 9b-14/ Ps 145: 10-11, 12-13, 17-18/ Jn 1: 45-51</i>                                   |
| <b>Aug 25 Tue:</b> | <i>2 Thes 2: 1-3a, 14-17/ Ps 96: 10, 11-12, 13/ Mt 23: 23-26</i>  |
| <b>Aug 26 Wed:</b> | <i>2 Thes 3: 6-10, 16-18/ Ps 128: 1-2, 4-5/ Mt 23: 27-32</i>  |
| <b>Aug 27 Thu:</b> | <b>Monica, mw M</b><br><i>1 Cor 1: 1-9/ Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mt 24: 42-51</i>   |
| <b>Aug 28 Fri:</b> | <b>Augustine, bp, dr M</b><br><i>1 Cor 1: 17-25/ Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 10-11/ Mt 25: 1-13</i>                                    |
| <b>Aug 29 Sat:</b> | <b>Martyrdom of John the Baptist M</b><br><i>1 Cor 1: 26-31/ Ps 33: 12-13, 18-19, 20-21/ Mk 6: 17-29</i>                    |
| <b>Aug 30 SUN:</b> | <b>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b><br><i>Jer 20: 7-9/ Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/ Rom 12: 1-2/ Mt 16: 21-27</i> |

**Readers Schedule**

| Mass Times    | Aug. 22-23   | Aug. 29-30    | Sept. 5-6      | Sept. 12-13  |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Sat. 5:00 pm  | Diana McCown | Jerry Lentfer | Michelle Milke | Diana McCown |
| Sun. 8:00 am  | Joe Vinton   | Chris Hytrek  | Karl Gramann   | Joe Vinton   |
| Sun. 10:00 am | Larry Etmund | Shirley Yates | Frank Pytlik   | Larry Etmund |

**Marriage Encounter:** Marriage Encounter is going virtual-streaming. Complete weekend presentations will be August 28<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> to enhance couple communication and intimacy of heart. Contact Pat & Janelle Benson for more information. Pat: 308 940-0670 Janelle: 308 940-1105 [pjbben@yahoo.com](mailto:pjbben@yahoo.com).

**The Benedict XVI Diocesan School of Catechesis** is for Catholics wanting to strengthen their intellectual and spiritual formation to empower their evangelical mission in the world. It covers the Creed, the Sacraments, the Commandments, and Prayer (Year I) as well as Salvation History, Church History, Faith and Reason, and Spirituality (Year II). Participants can join in Year I or Year II and classes will be offered in-person and on Zoom simultaneously. The time commitment is one Saturday a month from September to April for two years. The cost is \$100 per semester, however, those who teach CCD, God-teen/CYO, or in Catholic schools would receive a 25% discount. For more information go to [www.lincolndiocese.org/bxvi](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/bxvi) or call 402-473-0631.

**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 Sept. 22, 2020, 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. Social distancing measures & precautions will be in place. Attendees are asked to wear a mask for entrance into the building.

**MEN ON FIRE Retreat: In person or virtual via livestreaming.** It's time to live the life that God intended for you! Become a man "ON FIRE" for God. St. Peter Catholic Parish in Lincoln, NE is hosting this retreat on **Saturday, October 17, 2020** from 9 am-3 pm. Register online at [www.jpilhealingcenter.org](http://www.jpilhealingcenter.org) A Leaders Summit will also be held the evening before, on Friday October 16 from 7-9 pm-register at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/men-on-fire-leaders-summit>. Contact Annette Wemhoff at [JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com](mailto:JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com) for more information.

**UNDONE Retreat- In person or virtual via livestreaming.** Ladies –Do you desire to live in greater freedom with your true feminine identity. St. Peter Catholic Parish in Lincoln, NE September 24-26, 2020. Register online [www.jpilhealingcenter.org](http://www.jpilhealingcenter.org). Contact Annette Wemhoff at [JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com](mailto:JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com) for more information.

## **Notes from Father Walsh...**

St James Parish Council and Parish Finance Council met August 12, 2020 in a combined group. Those in attendance were Father Joseph Walsh, Ray Vrbka, Pat Milke, Rosie VerMaas, Shirley Yates, Jenny Oelke, Denise Clements, Melissa Wallman, and Grace Benes.

The meeting was opened with prayer. The January minutes were read.

**Finance Council:** Jenny Oelke handed out the Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2020, the Profit and Loss Statement for the year July 2019 through June 2020 and the 2019 -2020 Budget Worksheet. Jenny and Father Walsh discussed these items with the group. Father Walsh also passed out information on Faith Direct giving at St James. There are currently 47 families using Faith Direct to give to St James. The monthly donations through Faith Direct amount to around \$6,000 or nearly 50% of our adult envelope tithe.

After a review of the budget for the 2020- 2021 fiscal year, Jenny Oelke made a motion to approve the budget and Melissa Wallman seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote of both Councils.

### **Old Business:**

**Property Report:** Pat Milke discussed the insurance estimates for replacing the roofs on the church and rectory due to hail damage from a storm that went through Cortland. He will contact White Castle Roofing for an estimate. We will have the siding that needs replaced fixed at the same time as the roof.

Ray Vrbka has talked to Wes Meints regarding an estimate for replacement of the link door. The door will be replaced this fall.

### **New Business:**

Father Walsh introduced Shirley Yates as our new CCD coordinator. The plan is to start CCD on Sunday, September 13, 2020. The 10:00 AM Sunday Mass will be moved back to 10:30 to accommodate CCD class time. There have been volunteers to teach the 2nd, 3rd and high school classes. Registration will be Sunday, August 30th.

Kurt Larkins has volunteered use of a building in Cortland to be used for the high school class. Pat said the building has heat and air conditioning, but we will have to furnish it with a rug and things to sit on.

Father Walsh suggested purchasing a laptop and projector for use by the CCD teachers. The Diocesan Education Department has a large volume of excellent resource material for CCD classes. It was recommended that we go with flat screen televisions instead of projectors. Father will arrange for two laptops and televisions for the grade school and one set for the high school.

The Knights of Columbus would like to sponsor a parish picnic. The tentative date is set for September 26th.

Father Walsh then asked us to think of ideas to reengage the parish in Mass attendance. The hope is that with CCD starting, Mass attendance will pick up.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Grace Benes, Secretary