

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, 10:30am

Confessions

30 min. before Sunday and Holy Days Masses
 20 minutes before Daily Masses and by appt.

Exposed Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 7pm to 8pm.
Benediction at 7:50pm

CCD PK-12 Classes are from 9:00am to 10:20am on scheduled days



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January 10, 2021 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

“On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him.”

Mark 1:10

Jan 11 Mon: *Heb 1: 1-6/ Ps 97: 1 and 2b. 6 and 7c. 9/ Mk 1: 14-20*
Jan 12 Tue: *Heb 2: 5-12/ Ps 8: 2ab and 5. 6-7. 8-9/ Mk 1: 21-28*
Jan 13 Wed: *Heb 2: 14-18/ Ps 105: 1-2. 3-4. 6-7. 8-9/ Mk 1: 29-39*
Jan 14 Thu: *Heb 3: 7-14/ Ps 95: 6-7c. 8-9. 10-11/ Mk 1: 40-45*
Jan 15 Fri: *Heb 4: 1-5. 11/ Ps 78: 3 and 4bc. 6c-7. 8/ Mk 2: 1-12*
Jan 16 Sat: *Heb 4: 12-16/ Ps 19: 8. 9. 10. 15/ Mk 2: 13-17*
Jan 17 SUN: **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
*1 Sm 3: 3b-10. 19/ Ps 40: 2. 4. 7-8. 8-9. 10 (8a. 9a)/
 1 Cor 6: 13c-15a. 17-20/ Jn 1: 35-42*

Readers Schedule

Mass Times	Jan 9-10	Jan 16-17	Jan 23-24	Jan 30-31
Sat. 5:00 pm	Michelle Milke	Diana McCown	Jerry Lentfer	Michelle Milke
Sun. 8:00 am	Janet Ragland	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Larry Etmund
Sun. 10:00 am	Frank Pytlik	Karl Gramann	Shirley Yates	Frank Pytlik

PCCW MEETING - Wednesday, January 13th. Mass at 6:30 followed by the meeting at 7:00. Secret Prayer Pals will be revealed and new names drawn for next year, for those interested. For anyone who has a “gift” for their Prayer Pal, please join us at the meeting or feel free to leave it in the kitchen of the hall. Secret Prayer Pal sheets will be on the table at the entrance of church beside the bulletin. Please have them filled out by Wednesday for anyone wishing to be part of the group.

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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER presenting Virtual Weekends 2021

Feb 19-21 & April 23-25 For more info, contact Pat (308-940-0670) or Janelle Benson (308-940-1105)

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RETROUVAILLE Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more info about a Retrouvaille Weekend program. February 19-21 2021 to register call 1-800-470-2230 Or WWW.HELPOURMARRIAGE.ORG, WWW.RETROUVAILLE.ORG last day to sign up February 7th 2021.

NEW OPPORTUNITY TO HELP YOUR PARISH. Many people have received (or will receive) a Covid-19 stimulus payment. If you do not need your payment, now is a great time and opportunity to consider an additional gift to your parish of all (or a portion of) your stimulus payment. Giving to your parish an additional financial gift at the beginning of 2021 is a great way to advance the mission of both your parish and your pastor. If you are able, please prayerfully consider this type of gift for your parish.

Ways to Give to Your Parish.

1. **Give Online.** Visit lincolndiocese.aware3.net/give and follow the simple instructions below:
 - i. Enter the amount you choose to give.
 - ii. Select your parish from the drop down menu that will appear.
 - iii. Select *Parish Gifts* from the next drop down menu that appears.
 - iv. Enter your contact and payment information as directed.
2. **Write a Check.** Simply write a check to your parish and mail it to (or drop it off at) the parish office.

NOTES FROM FATHER WALSH...

Pro Life Walk. It would be wonderful if we could come out in numbers on Saturday, January 16 to participate in the Walk for Life beginning on the State Capitol steps (it’s been on the North side the past few years), around 10am. It’s always a good time to see old warrior friends again, support our politicians who are working to protect the right to life in our State, and support Nebraska Right to Life. Hope to see you there.

Art from Bethlehem. On the weekend of January 23/24, a representative from Blessed Art will be in the parish, displaying and selling olive wood religious art from Bethlehem. This is a ministry that helps local Catholics in Bethlehem continue to live in the Holy Land by making their beautiful art work available in the United States. It is original art work, much of it hand crafted, and a great cause.

Cleaning up our email roster. I’ve hired the assistance of Deanna Swanson, a long-time parish secretary, to help me with our email directory. I’d like a clean slate of addresses so that we can use this more effectively as a communication tool in the parish. You will be receiving an email from me with instructions on identifying your primary email, and an opportunity to inform us about other email addresses that you do or don’t want us to use. This email will come to you this week, at the address stjames-secretary@lincolndiocese.org. It will take less than a minute to complete. It will include a spreadsheet that you will open and mark an “X” on the address(es) you want (or correct or add another address). You’ll need to save the spreadsheet, and then email me back at stjames-secretary@lincolndiocese.org address, attaching your spreadsheet to the email. Thank you in advance for this help. It’s going to be great!

A short reflection. Have you noticed an increased inclination to lose your temper, think judgmental thoughts about another person, lose your patience, or a variety of other behaviors that you thought you had under control but for some reason, recently, are getting the better of you? I was walking back from church the other day, talking out load about a conversation I had at work, playing it over in my mind, and responding with the most uncharitable anger. Finally, I stopped myself and said, “What are you doing? You know this is wrong.” I’m seeing this type of thing all over the place. It’s part of the current stress of our times. But I also believe that we are all under heavy spiritual attack—priests especially. I mentioned this to Fr. Barak recently, the diocesan exorcist, and he confirmed it. Whatever qualities we have that are our weak points, the devil is exploiting them, and getting us to act sinfully. Maybe its anger, or drink, or withdrawal, or spiritual laziness, or negative thinking, or a variety of things. This is where he is entering, and unless we’re aware of it, we end up doing the craziest of things and can’t explain why. I just want you to know this is happening. Keep making the sign of the cross, saying the St. Michael prayer, and be alert that whatever weakness you have are the devils playground (except it’s not play—it’s evil). Let’s keep praying for one another, especially invoking Our Blessed Mother’s assistance. God bless you.

Please pray for the Seminarians every week throughout the year. Listed below is the Seminarian for this week. Thank you from the Seminarians and their Families!

20-21	First Name	Last Name	Year Entered	Seminary of Study	Year of Study
Jan 10-16	Patrick	Winter	2018	St. Gregory the Great Seminary	College 4